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Stock Exchange reforms may end legal action

By Philip Robinson and Jonathan Clare

The Government yesterday said it would call off the legal action against the Stock Exchange in return for reforms which will alter the way stocks and shares are bought and sold in Britain.

But the moves will increase the powerful financial institutions in the City which invest millions every year. One leading institution said the reforms go no further than those recommended by Sir Harold Wilson in his report on the City two years ago.

The Government's action comes after four years of legal preparation, costing £3m in fees. It is a turnaround on the Government's policy, justified partly by an EEC directive. This will mean some other parts of the Exchange's rule book could be changed to be incorporated in new laws.

The Opposition will demand a full debate on the matter when the House resumes in October. Yesterday Mr Ian Wright, SDP MP for Stockton South, Cleveland, said: "The out-of-court settlement between the Stock Exchange and the Government makes mockery of the Tories' advocacy of greater competition."

Mr Peter Archer, Labour MP for Warley West in the West Midlands, slammed the concessions offered by the Stock Exchange as "cosmetic and mischievous".

His proposals came after years of "shutting the door to change, opposing the Office of Fair Trading, and resisting court proceedings".

"The Government has sold out to its City friends who are helping them to sell off public assets at knock-down prices", he said.

The Stock Exchange proposes to phase out minimum charges for buying and selling shares over three years; to allow non-Exchange members to sit on its ruling council; to establish an appeal body which will listen to those whose membership has been rejected; and to allow non-Exchange members to serve as directors on Stock Exchange firms, providing members remain in the majority.

Minimum charges will be phased out by 1986. This will lead to cheaper rates for big deals in Government stocks but the small investor may find his dealings more expensive in the short term.

The membership changes will come in over the next two months and will need a vote from all Stock Exchange members.

All changes are now being made under the eye of the Bank of England and the Department of Trade and Industry. Officials hinted yesterday that both bodies are likely to get more involved with the Stock Exchange rule.

The Stock Exchange will apply for an adjournment of the Restrictive Practices case today. It is likely that the OFT will argue against such a delay. It has a legal obligation to enforce existing law.

Sir Gordon Barrie, the OFT director-general, is expected to make a statement afterwards. The OFT has said nothing publicly so far. Privately, it is angered and puzzled by the Government's change of heart after years of preparing the case.

It is still unclear whether the Government will attempt to exempt the Stock Exchange by making a Parliamentary Order or by passing a special Bill. Officials will decide during the recess which would be most appropriate.

Sir Nicholas Goodison, the Stock Exchange chairman, welcomed the Secretary of State's proposals last night, but said he could not comment further.

Professor Jim Gower, company adviser on company law to the Department of Trade and Industry, who is reviewing what protection Britain offers to its investors, said: "Providing this is the first and not the last step, it is in the right direction."

However, the big institutions such as insurance companies are furious that the Government is allowing the Stock Exchange to phase out minimum commissions over three years.

Institutional investors argue that the Restrictive Practices Court is designed to protect consumers and the case should have gone ahead.

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FT gives up hope of NGA talks

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

Management at the *Financial Times* last night decided to begin the battle for republication of the newspaper without the labour of 22 striking members of the National Graphical Association (NGA), which now risks expulsion from the TUC for rejecting an independent mediator's peace plan.

Mr Alan Hare, chairman of the FT, has written to general secretaries of all the unions involved in producing the paper, which has been off the streets since June 1, asking for their support in a publishing initiative designed to bypass the NGA.

The company welcomed the TUC General Council's decision formally to "advise" the craft print union to accept the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) mediator's recommendations, but added: "Trade union procedures do not readily lend themselves to the speedy solution which this strike demands."

"In these circumstances we are forced to conclude that normal negotiating procedures have been exhausted and that there is no acceptable basis on which we can resume talks with the NGA."

Mr Hare went on: "We have to find other ways of restarting publication of the newspaper. One way of doing this is for the unions - other than the NGA - to cooperate with us in producing the paper, starting with the international edition in Frankfurt, to be followed later by the rest of production in Bracken House."

The FT chairman has written to these unions - chiefly Sogat 32, the National Union of Journalists, the electricians' union EEPFU and the engineering union AUEW - inviting their general secretaries to a meeting "to discuss this alternative."

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Freeze out Militant local parties told

By Philip Webster and Richard Evans

To the fury of the far left, the Labour Party acted yesterday to freeze the Militant Tendency out of the party's affairs.

Following up the expulsion last February of the five leading members of Militant, Labour's national executive committee instructed the party at all levels to deny the Trotskyist organization any facilities.

The aim is to stop the Militant newspaper being sold at party meetings; to prevent the organization using party premises; its supporters being invited to speak at party meetings, and collections at party gatherings.

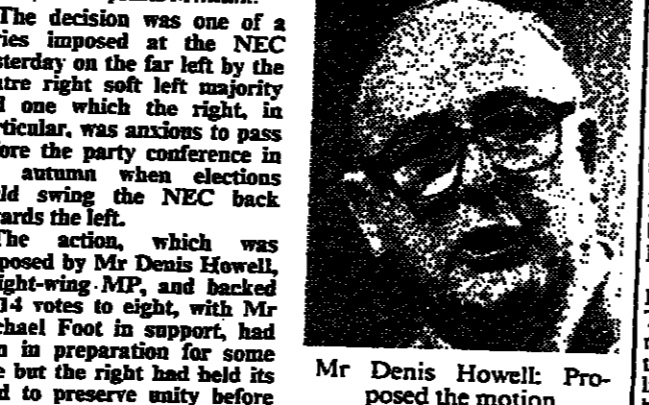
Militant will be denied facilities at the party conference and constituency parties will be told not to place orders with the Cambridge Heath Press, which prints Militant.

The decision was one of a series imposed at the NEC yesterday on the far left by the centre right soft left majority and one which the right, in particular, was anxious to pass before the party conference in the autumn when elections could swing the NEC back towards the left.

The action, which was proposed by Mr Denis Howell, a right-wing MP, and backed by 14 votes to eight, with Mr Michael Foot in support, had been in preparation for some time but the right had held its hand to preserve unity before the general election. Mr Neil Kinnock was not present for the vote.

Mr Howell said last night that the decision was aimed at implementing last year's conference decision that membership of Militant was incompatible with membership of the Labour Party. But it was strongly opposed inside the NEC by the left, with Mr Wedgwood Benn stating that the proposal was unwelcome and certain to be resisted by the constituency parties.

Mr Dennis Skinner said last night that the right-wing had not learnt any lessons. They had thought wrongly that



Mr Denis Howell proposed the motion

expelling Militant would help win the election. It was ridiculous that a newspaper representing certain socialist views was to be banned from the party conference while the right-wing Tory press was to be on display and would be sold.

The proposed inquest into the party's heavy election defeat was postponed until a special meeting on September 12, again to the anger of the left, which wanted an immediate discussion in which it planned to attack the role of the right in running the campaign and the controversial intervention of the former Prime Minister, Mr James Callaghan, in the nuclear debate.

The NEC also decided, on a recommendation from Mr James Mortimer, the party general secretary, to end for an experimental period the practice of giving official press briefings after meetings. The left had opposed the move, saying that one press conference would be succeeded by a series of them, with the individual members giving their own private accounts.

Mr Peter Taaffe, editor of Militant, said last night that the NEC action proved the party was carrying out a witchhunt, but it would not work. "The paper will continue to be sold and we will double and triple sales as a result of this action."

Oil fraud costs EEC £85m a year

From Ian Murray, Brussels

A large-scale Italian olive oil fraud is costing the EEC about £85m a year, according to a confidential and detailed report prepared for the European Commission.

The Commission's investigators found that exact figures were impossible to determine but the report suggests that fraud on a large scale has been going on for at least the past 10 years and it could, therefore, have already cost the Community a sum equivalent to half its present entire annual budget.

The estimate of £85m for last year alone compares with the £36m of agreed British rebate which has just been cut out of the 1983 budget.

The fraud is carried out by the simple expedient of creating "paper oil" - which exists only on paper - and then obtaining what is going on. It estimates that it would require 50,000 inspectors, working 24 hours a day for three months a year, to keep a comprehensive check.

Standards for keeping a check on production are described as "vague" and offering "considerable latitude". The report highlights the predicament of the local agent of a production association working on an hourly basis with no job security who has to keep on good relations with his neighbours and who can thus be put under intense pressure to send in wrong reports.

It also underlines the way in which political and trade union bodies employ people close to them in order to draw up returns.

Competition between different political groups which run the producer organizations means that growers join the body which pay out quickest after the false checks.

The report shows how difficult it is in southern Italy, with a million producers, up to 200 million olive trees and 8,000 oil mills to keep proper checks on



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Over the top: A Portuguese anti-terrorist policeman scales the Turkish Embassy wall and (below) one of the Armenian gunmen who died in the attack.

Five Armenian gunmen killed in Lisbon raid

From Peter Collis, Lisbon

Five terrorists were killed after raiding the Turkish Embassy and residence in Lisbon yesterday. The wife of the Turkish charge d'affaires was also killed and a policeman and several people were wounded.

The terrorists are understood to have blown themselves up when their assault misfired.

Accounts of the attacks were still confused last night but according to eye witnesses, a five-man suicide group drove up to the embassy at around 11am in a rented car and tried to force their way into the building firing automatic weapons.

But they were driven back by the fire of an embassy security guard. One terrorist died in the gunfight and a Portuguese policeman was wounded.

The terrorists then forced their way into the adjacent embassy residence building taking the charge d'affaires wife and her 17-year-old son hostage.

At 11.30am Lisbon police received a telephone call from the terrorists threatening to blow up the building if the police intervened. Soon afterwards a blast shattered the first floor of the residence, and after an interval the badly wounded wife of the charge d'affaires and her son, who was also hurt, were taken out of the smoking building by Portuguese security forces.

She died on her way to hospital, but her son was reported to be out of danger.

British-trained special anti-terrorist police stormed the building and found five charred bodies, according to a police statement.

A statement in English, signed by the Armenian Revolutionary Army, and left in a Lisbon park, claimed responsibility for the attacks.

"We have decided to blow up this building and bury ourselves under the rubble. This is not suicide, nor an expression of insanity, but rather our sacrifice for freedom."

"Our resolve to have recourse to violence is the result of the refusal of the Turkish state and the powers supporting it to heed to the justful (SIC) and peaceful demands of the Armenian people," the statement said.

● Terror Campaign: The attack was part of a terrorist campaign by Armenian nationalists to avenge what they call the holocaust of Armenians in the Ottoman empire during the First World War. In 1951, the Turkish Government - the Kaiser's ally - rounded up the Christian Armenians and slaughtered hundreds of thousands. Armenian nationalists claim that 1.5 million of their compatriots were massacred.

The Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA) has been trying to force the Turkish Government to admit the massacres and to restore their ancestral lands in Anatolia. The nationalists straddle the borders between eastern Turkey and Russia.

ASALA launched its current terrorist campaign, intended to focus world attention on the 1915 Armenian holocaust, with the murder of the Turkish consul-general in Los Angeles in 1973. Since then Armenian gunmen have killed 28 Turkish diplomats in Western Europe, Canada and Australia.

● ANKARA: The Turkish Foreign Ministry yesterday condemned the Lisbon attack and offered thanks to the Portuguese security forces for "their self-sacrificing efforts" in dealing with the attackers.

£670m cuts total revealed

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

Programmes to the gross value of £670m are to be cut in the current year to achieve the net saving of at least £500m by the Treasury.

Mr Peter Rees, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, roused loud indignation from the Opposition yesterday when he announced this piece of Treasury arithmetic, which had remained unrevealed since the first announcement of the cuts by the Chancellor of the Exchequer three weeks ago.

In a statement so brief that Mr Peter Shore, Labour's senior Treasury spokesman, was even more upset, Mr Rees explained that the effect of lower cash limits and consequently tighter budgeting was that departments were now likely to underspend by less than the amount had originally allowed.

Detailed tables published in a written answer showed that reductions in cash-limited expenditure total £589m; savings on drugs prescribed in the National Health Service will be worth £25m; and the financing limits for the nationalized industries have been reduced by £58m.

Within the 2 per cent total reduction in nationalized industries' financing, the British Gas Corporation, which on Tuesday

Pay review penalizes strikers

By John Witherow

The Prime Minister yesterday announced an independent pay review body for nurses and other professional medical workers which included a clause to exclude any of those workers who went on strike.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher spelled this out in a Commons written reply saying that the Government recognized that the "great majority of staff in these groups have not engaged in industrial action."

"Accordingly, the Government must reserve the right to exclude from the scope of the review body recommendations any groups that do resort to industrial action," she said.

Downing Street thought this was the first time such a clause had been included in the terms of pay review bodies, although a spokesman said it was "implicit" in the doctors' and dentists' review body.

The "no strike" agreement aroused considerable opposition among Labour MPs and unions.

Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Labour spokeswoman on Health, described it as the "final betrayal of our health service staff."

Miss Ada Maddocks, national health officer of Nalogo, said: "It is a blackmail, pure and simple. By imposing these conditions on pay awards, the Government is seeking to hamstring the trade unions in doing their job of looking after their members' interests." Mr

Gibraltar dockyard reprieved

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

The Government has agreed to postpone for a year its planned closure of the Royal Naval dockyard at Gibraltar.

The dockyard will now close on December 31, 1984, and will then immediately reopen as a commercial ship repair yard under the management of A & P Appleford International, British company, acting as agents for the Gibraltar authorities.

This was announced yesterday in the Commons by Mr Ian Stewart, Under-Secretary of State for Defence Procurement. He also announced a number of measures to support the dockyard during the early years of commercial activity.

The land and assets for the commercial ship repair yard will be handed over free to the Gibraltar authorities and up to £28m will be provided to meet the initial cost of conversion, working capital and operating losses, if any, in the first two years. This will be conditional on assurances of new working practices being obtained.

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Closing prices partly restored

The Times today resumes a limited listing of Stock Exchange closing prices on page 18. Last week's computer failure has been repaired sufficiently to print a partial table.

Computer staff are working to restore the full stock market listings, including Wall Street, and unit trust prices, as soon as possible. But the computer cannot yet tabulate the normal range of financial information.

We apologize for the temporary suspension of the full prices service.

British Shipbuilders to cut 9,000 jobs in 2-year emergency package

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

British Shipbuilders yesterday announced total losses for 1982-83 of almost £128m and confirmed that 9,000 shipyard jobs would be cut in the next two years as part of package of emergency measures still being considered by the Government.

Five thousand workers at the offshore vessel yard of Scott Lithgow on the Clyde, which was responsible for a loss of £60m, were told yesterday by the company's newly installed management that 2,150 would be made redundant by next March.

Mr Robert criticized Scott Lithgow which had lost £158m since nationalization and had hardly ever been able to deliver on time or to contract price. "Scott Lithgow has let the corporation down, it has let the nation down and it has let itself down. It will need to demonstrate that it can satisfy its customers and be viable."

New code on selling baby foods

A new code of practice for marketing baby foods in Britain was published last night. It will take effect on August 2.

It has been drawn up to comply with the international code established by the World Health Organization in response to anxiety that baby foods were being marketed inappropriately, particularly in Third World countries.

'Hijack' seamen return to work

Seamen who spent 48 hours at an army barracks while their ship was fought over by the Special Air Services Regiment in an anti-terrorist exercise, returned to normal duties yesterday.

Apprenticeship scheme replaced

A new scheme for training printing workers was agreed yesterday between the National Graphical Association and the British Printing Industries Federation.

Oldfield retires

Mr George Oldfield, the assistant Chief Constable of West Yorkshire Police who collapsed during the hunt for the Yorkshire Ripper, is to leave the force next month.

Arts lose another £2.5m in new cuts

An emergency £2.5m reduction in the arts budget was announced yesterday by Lord Gowers, the Minister for the Arts, in the wake of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's demand earlier this month for more cuts in public spending.

The cut amounts to about 1 per cent of this year's arts budget and is in addition to the cancellation of this year's £1m initial outlay for the creation of the Theatre Museum in London's Covent Garden.

The biggest financial victim of Lord Gowers' latest cut is the Arts Council whose £92m for 1983-84 will be reduced by 1 per cent. The move was criticized by Sir William Rees-Mogg, the Arts Council chairman yesterday.

The Arts Council resolved at yesterday's monthly meeting to express "its very serious concern at having to withdraw funds already committed" and said it had never before had to break its word to clients.

Parachutists' leap into the unknown

Parachutists at some clubs catering for "casual" weekend jumpers are leaping from aircraft without ever making any practice jumps, according to two injured novices interviewed by The Times.

That is said to have happened at Throxton, in Hampshire, where 15 parachutists, mostly making their first descent, have been injured in the last month, some of them seriously. One man, aged 62, has had a leg amputated.

As the British Parachute Association began an inquiry at Throxton yesterday, the club acknowledged that it had gone through a "bad patch" of injuries but said its training was adequate and more than satisfied the association's provisions.

County Hospital at Winchester has protested at the burden put on its resources by the club, and yesterday two injured parachutists, Miss Susan Jope, aged 25, and Mr Haw Jones, aged 29, spoke of their first jumps at Throxton.

Mr Jones trained at Throxton but Miss Jope had trained at another club. Neither of them had first jumped from a ramp on the ground as part of the required training.

Miss Jope, an insurance clerk, of Alresford, Hampshire, who broke her ankle making a sponsored jump for the environmental group Greenpeace, said: "It was nothing like I had expected. It was much more frightening." She said that nothing in her 10 hours' theoretical training had prepared her for the shock of jumping from an aircraft.



Mr Francis Moynihan, senior orthopaedic surgeon at the Royal Hampshire County Hospital, with Mr Haw Jones and Miss Susan Jope (Photograph: John Voos)

Chapman murder appeal

By John Witherow
A Conservative MEP appointed by the European Parliament to investigate the murder of Ann Chapman, a freelance journalist, in Athens 12 years ago, appealed yesterday to seven people to help him.

Mr Richard Cottrell, MEP for Bristol, wants in particular to meet a British couple who stayed in the same hotel, the Pinehills, on October 15, 1971, the night she was murdered.

Although Nicholas Mounds was convicted of murder, Miss Chapman's parents, from west London, have maintained she was killed by the Greek junta because she was on to a "big story".

Mr Cottrell also appealed yesterday for friends of Miss Chapman in London to help to explain why she went to Greece and her state of mind. He named Gareth Davies, a former radiologist at St George's Hospital, Tooting, and two people mentioned in her diary as Rick, possibly Rick Parsons, and Chris, whom she met at the Troubadour cafe in Old Brompton Road, west London.

In Greece she met Brian Rawson, an Olympic Holidays representative, and apparently telephoned the BBC's correspondent, Janet Daman. Mr Cottrell asked if they could get in touch with him.

Greece's pardons committee has recommended a pardon for Mounds, who was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Laker liquidator's plea is rejected

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent
The liquidator of Laker Airways was refused leave to appeal to the Lords yesterday against a ruling preventing a multi-million pound anti-trust action being brought against British Airways and British Caledonian in the United States.

The liquidator, Mr Christopher Morris, of Touche Ross, the accountants, is likely to apply to the Lords for leave to appeal against the ruling, which was made by the Court of Appeal on Tuesday.

Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, sitting yesterday with Lord Justice Oliver and Lord Justice Watkins, refused leave to appeal saying no additional time would be lost if the application were to be decided by the Lords appellate committee.

The judges granted British Airways and British Caledonian costs in their successful Court of Appeal case and granted an injunction ordering Laker "to use best endeavours to procure" that the two airlines ceased to be parties to Laker's American action.

The US action, in which seven other international airlines are being sued, alleges that Sir Freddie Laker's Skytrain operations crashed because of a conspiracy by competitors.

Although the US courts are free to proceed with such proceedings as they think fit, the granting of an injunction against Laker, if upheld, would effectively prevent pursuance of Laker's action against the British companies.

Anglo-Irish encounter group to be set up

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent
Britain and the Irish Republic help to set up an encounter organization to improve Anglo-Irish relations.

The move was announced in Whitehall yesterday after talks between Mr Peter Barry, the Republic's Foreign Minister for Foreign Affairs, Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary and Mr James Prieur, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

The organization will arrange conferences and seminars on economic, social and cultural matters and other common interests, as proposed by the Anglo-Irish joint studies of 1981, and later approved by the two heads of government, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, and Dr Garret FitzGerald.

It will be an independent body although it will be able to channel ideas to official departments and will be given money by both governments.

Two joint chairmen have been appointed, Sir David Orr aged 61, chairman of Incheape, and Mr Thomas Whitaker, aged 66, Chancellor of the National University of Ireland and a former governor of the Central Bank of Ireland.

Other members of the executive will be co-opted by the chairmen and work will begin early next year.

Britain's crumbling motorways: 1 Why motorists face so many delays

Holidaymakers fuming as they sit in traffic jams may well wonder why Britain's roads seem worse than those elsewhere: longer queues, more repairs, worse delays.

Both have found traffic, particularly heavy lorry traffic, rising faster than designers expected.

For example a stretch of the M1 in Northamptonshire built in 1959 to take 28,000 vehicles a day (30 per cent heavy goods), after 20 years, was taking 60,000-80,000 in 1979 (33 per cent heavy goods).

The Department of Transport says that some older motorways have been "victims of their own success" and have carried the 20-year volume and weight of traffic forecast in much less time than expected, meaning maintenance comes earlier too.

Even motorways built in the 1970s have suffered premature failure, some after only five years - for various reasons such as design and construction faults in the Midland link viaducts, drainage problems and heavy lorries.

The Armitage Committee that studied the problem in 1980 accepted that road wear is a function almost entirely of axle weight, and went on to recommend heavier lorries but with lower axle weights by having more axles.

There are many who question such views however, convinced that the heavier lorries do more damage than is admitted.

Significantly, the National Road Maintenance Survey last March reported that while trunk roads were in much the same state in 1982 as 1980, there was "clear evidence of deterioration" in local authority roads, such as wheel track cracking and potholes, which are certainly consonant with heavy lorry wear.

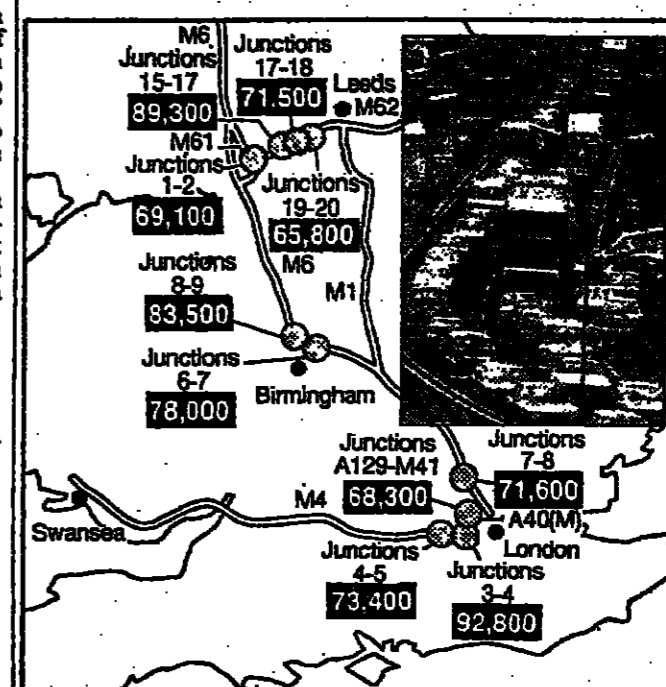
Small fines
The threat is clearly exacerbated by illegal overloading of lorries, which is feared is widespread.

Checks at two permanent weighbridges show that of 3,500 heavy lorries a day, 25 per cent are overloaded.

Mr Brian Oldridge, chairman of the transportation committee of the Institution of Municipal Engineers, blames magistrates for letting offenders off lightly; before the maximum penalty was recently raised from £200 to £1,000, some magistrates imposed fines as little as £15.

He believes that transferring around £2m a year from motorway maintenance to lorry enforcement - more weighbridges and inspectors - would be beneficial to roads.

Tomorrow: Will things get worse?



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Navy to streamline its ship production

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

The Royal Navy is to streamline its ordering of ships and weapons by reducing the time between deciding on a new class of ship and its entry into service. The number of committees involved will also be reduced.

The procurement of ships and weapons for the Navy is handled by the department of the Controller of the Navy, and details of the reorganization were given yesterday by Vice-Admiral Sir Lindsay Bryson, the present Controller, who is promoted to Admiral from Monday.

Admiral Bryson said that he hoped to reduce the number of committees involved in ship procurement by at least a third. He hoped also that the new system would reduce by half the time taken to introduce new weapons systems, and would reduce by perhaps two years the time from conception to entry into service of a new class of ship.

There has been much criticism recently of the time taken by the Navy in the design and production of ships, and also of the role of the ship design department in Bath. One effect of the reorganization will be to integrate the work in Bath much more closely into that of the Ministry of Defence in London.

One of the central figures in recent controversy was Mr K. J. Rawson, who as deputy director of ship design and engineering and chief naval architect was in effect chief specialist ship designer until his recent secondment to an academic appointment.

● Fears of job losses at two naval weapons research centres, Fordown, Hampshire, and Portland, Dorset, have been allayed by a Ministry of Defence consultative document (the Press Association reports).

The ministry said yesterday that a study recommended keeping Portland and Fordown, and bringing all naval weapons research under one administration.

Gap closing in Penrith

From Philip Webster, Political Reporter, Penrith

Voters at Penrith and the Border go to the polls today, 49 days after the general election, amid growing signs that the result of the by-election caused by the elevation of Mr William Whitelaw to the Lords will be far closer than appeared likely three weeks ago.

The Conservative and Labour parties yesterday accused the Alliance of "talking up" its chances by giving dubious canvas returns. It claimed on Tuesday, to be only 4 per cent behind the Tories but there has been a genuine mood of enthusiasm and excitement at the Liberal headquarters at the response to Mr Michael Young, aged 38, director of a construction company.

With an expected lower turnout than at the general election, a reduction in Lord Whitelaw's 15,421 majority would not be surprising.

Mr David Maclean, aged 30, a training manager with Securicor, who is the Tory candidate, said yesterday that the Liberals were indulging in a morale-boosting exercise.

General election: W Whitelaw (C) 23,304; M Young (Lib) 18,321; Labour 12,841.

Under-age girls and the pill

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent

Last year, 1,665 girls aged under 16 sought advice on contraception from the six family planning centres run by the voluntary organization Brook Advisory Centres. By the second visit, only 4 per cent had not told their own doctors that they were seeking the advice, and six out of ten who had not told their parents did so after counselling.

The figures were released yesterday, the day after the High Court rejected an attempt by a mother of 10 children to have ruled illegal a Department of Health and Social Security circular advising doctors on when they could prescribe contraceptives for under-age girls without their parents' knowledge or consent.

Under-age girls represented 7 per cent of the 23,786 new patients at Brook centres last year; many had already told their parents they were seeking advice. Of those who insisted they could not tell their parents, 60 per cent had done so by their second visit.

On average, the centre in Avon was handling about two new cases of under-age girls each week, the same proportion as in Edinburgh. At Coventry and Merseyside centres the average was less than one girl each week, while the Birmingham centre had an average of 14 a week and the London centre 13.

Satellite standard optimism

By Clive Cookson, Technology Correspondent

The Government and broadcasting authorities still believe that they can persuade the whole of Europe to adopt a British-inspired standard for satellite television. Failure to agree would be expensive for viewers.

This month the administrative council of the European Broadcasting Union recommended a system which has acquired the inelegant name "C-MAC/packet" as a single standard for Europe. It uses the C-MAC system, developed by the Independent Broadcasting Authority in Britain, for transmitting pictures, combined with the French "packet" system for sound.

Overseas selling prices
Australia £29.95, Belgium £30.65, Benelux £35.95, Canada £2.50, Channel Islands £1.50, France £2.50, Germany £2.50, Greece £2.50, Hong Kong £2.50, India £2.50, Ireland £2.50, Italy £2.50, Japan £2.50, Korea £2.50, Luxembourg £2.50, Malaysia £2.50, Mexico £2.50, New Zealand £2.50, Norway £2.50, Portugal £2.50, Singapore £2.50, South Africa £2.50, Sweden £2.50, Switzerland £2.50, Taiwan £2.50, Thailand £2.50, USA £2.50, West Germany £2.50, Yugoslavia £2.50.

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Aspinall claims experts agreed killer tigress fence was high enough

Mr John Aspinall told Canterbury Crown Court yesterday that he sought the advice of the world's leading animal safety experts before designing the tiger house at his zoo and the owner of the world's largest open zoo had told him that 10ft was ample height for fences.

His zoo company, Howlett's and Port Lympne Estates, denies two summonses alleging failure to ensure the safety of employees after two keepers were killed by a tigress.

Mr Brian Stocks and Mr Robert Wilson were mauled by Zeya, a Siberian tigress, at Howlett's Zoo nr Canterbury, Kent, in 1980.

The prosecution, brought by the Health and Safety Executive, alleges that the company broke safety regulations by allowing Mr Stocks to enter Zeya's enclosure alone.

Mr Wilson died five weeks later after Zeya scaled a 10ft 2in partition fence to attack him. The prosecution claims that one fence was too low for safety.

Mr Aspinall told the court that he took full responsibility for the running of the zoo, which he had originally set up 30 years ago as a private zoo with a tiger, a monkey and two Himalayan bears.

"When the zoo opened to the public eight years ago, he said that he had sought the advice of Dr Al Daming, owner of a 2,000-acre game park in Alberta, Canada.

"I asked him about partitioning fences for tigers and he said 10ft odd is ample as long as it is made of a firm structure", Mr Aspinall said.

He said that other experts had told him of 8ft thorn fences which African tribesmen used to pen lions, Siberian tigers, the biggest and heaviest of all the cats, would be expected to be poor jumpers, he said. "The heavier the animal the less high it can jump."

Even after the death of Mr Stocks, the adequacy of the fence was not doubted, Mr Aspinall said. "I thought the fences were efficient. It never occurred to any of the experts that the fences were too low."

He added that Mr Stocks was "very brave, very intelligent, very responsible and very cautious", and that Mr Wilson was "an excellent keeper".

Earlier Mr John Mathew, QC, for Mr Aspinall, had told the jury that there was no evidence Mr Stock had entered Zeya's enclosure alone.

Indeed, Mr Aspinall had said that only 10 days before his death Mr Stocks had warned him that Zeya's behaviour was getting worse and worse.

Mr Mathew said: "It was agreed that on no account should anybody go into that compound until Zeya was safely locked away."

It was possible, he said, that Mr Stocks had secured Zeya in the adjoining enclosure before entering its compound to check

its cub and that the tigress leapt the fence on that occasion, also.

If that was possible he said, then the first allegation, that the zoo allowed its keepers to enter the big cat compounds alone would not be supported.

The case was "really all about the fences" and the prosecution expert witness had criticized it "with hindsight only", Mr Mathew said.

Mr Aspinall said that he had been in the habit of entering tiger enclosures alone for "about 23 or 24 years - ever since I acquired my first tiger."

"I go every Sunday in the afternoon to visit them, to reacquaint myself with them, to see them, feel them and play with them," he said.

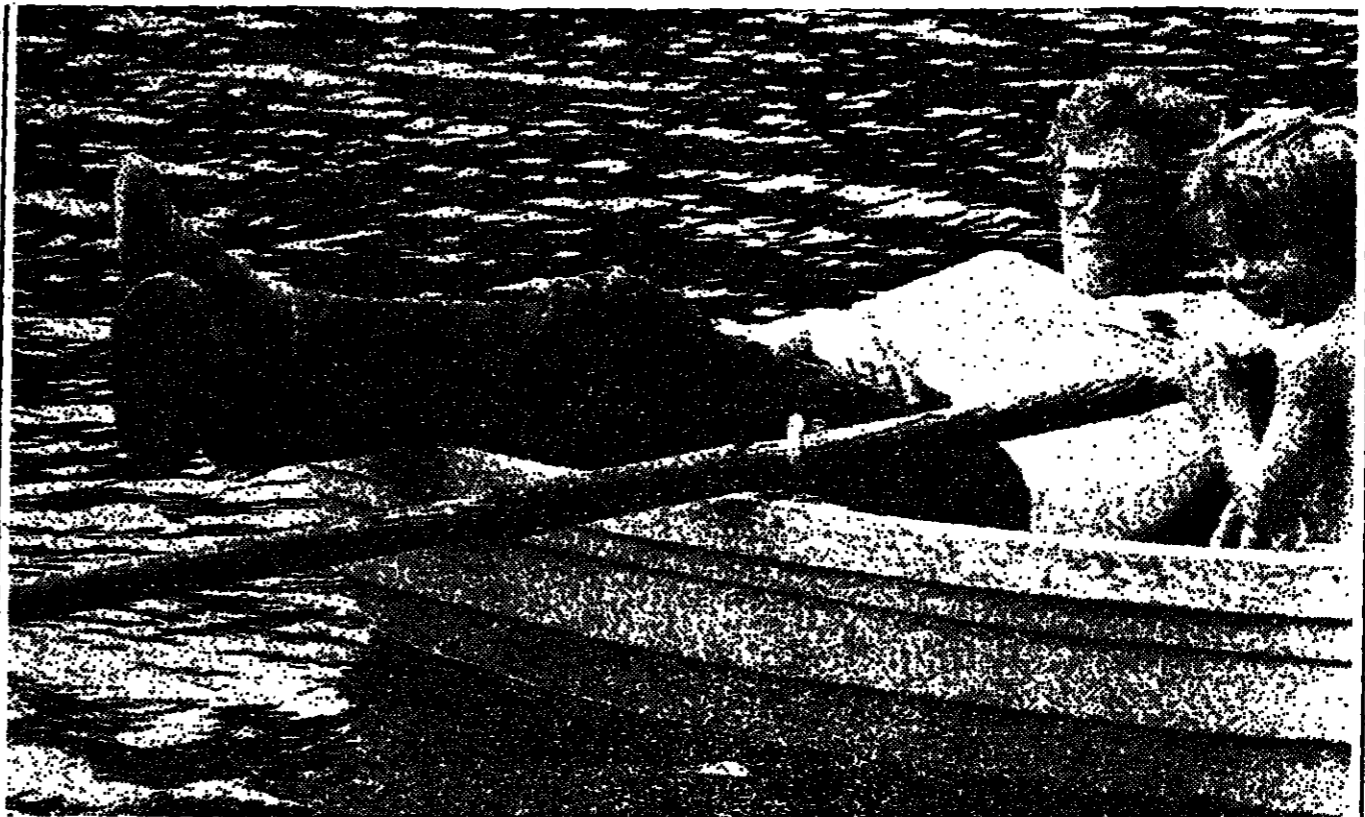
Mr Aspinall said that in broad principle he did not believe in destroying killer animals.

"After Brian's death I was a little confused. I had an argument with Brian that if we were killed, either of us, by a tiger, that tiger should not be shot."

"We were thinking of not betraying the trust of animals. If we got killed through misinterpreting their moods or through misjudgment on our part, it would be unfair to kill the animal."

A breeding Siberian tigress was rare and valuable, Mr Aspinall said. But after the second killing, he himself had shot Zeya.

The hearing continues today.



The easy way: Peter Bird, the single-handed Pacific rower, relaxing with his nephew, Andrew, aged five, on the Serpentine in Hyde Park, after he returned to London yesterday.

Mr Bird, a photographer from London, set out in August last year from San Francisco to be the first person to row alone across the Pacific. Last month his boat was wrecked on

Australia's Great Barrier Reef. He said yesterday: "There is no doubt in my mind that I completed the crossing. The reef is part of Australia." (Photographer: David Cairns).

Commuters' protest may save lavatories

By Rupert Morris
British Rail seems to have beaten a retreat in its attempt to halve the number of lavatories at its 1,000 stations in Britain.

It was reported yesterday that British Rail intended to allow 550 of its station lavatories to collapse over the next 20 years, maintaining and repairing only the 450 at main stations that were seen as essential.

Further inquiries by *The Times* disclosed that the axe had been intended to fall most heavily in the South, where British Rail wanted eventually to get rid of 300 lavatories.

But when the names were divulged - Tunbridge Wells, Weybridge, Virginia Water, Walton-on-Thames and other household names the harassed commuter cried enough.

The regional Transport Users' Consultative Committee told British Rail, Southern Region in April last year that this was quite unacceptable. It has heard nothing since.

British Rail said yesterday: "It is not a closure programme as such. We have identified 550 stations where, if we were starting from scratch, we would not put toilet facilities in."

"There is no point spending money taking them away deliberately. But if there were development at the station, or the toilets needed replacement we would not spend the money."

British Rail spokesmen were inclined to play down the whole story. It was a study which had been undertaken last year. It was only about one page long, and was subject to the agreement of the central and local consultative committees, they said.

The Southern Transport Users' Consultative Committee told British Rail that the proposals would drive large numbers of the public into the arms of the coach operators. Yesterday it appeared the British Rail had taken that advice to heart, and was having second thoughts.



SIR BRIAN TOVEY: Five years in charge.

Director of GCHQ to retire early

From Our Correspondent Cheltenham

The head of Britain's electronic intelligence gathering centre, Sir Brian Tovey, is to retire early, Sir Brian, aged 57, director of the Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) in Cheltenham for the past five years, will leave at the end of September, nine months after the Soviet spy Geoffrey Prime, a former employee, was jailed for 35 years.

Mr Donald Chidgey, a spokesman at the base, which analyses British and American intelligence, yesterday denied Sir Brian's decision was connected with that case and subsequent criticism of internal security. "Prime had already been and gone when Sir Brian took over."

Sir Brian, an expert in oriental languages who has been married three times, joined the organization 33 years ago.

He will be succeeded by Mr Peter Marychurch, aged 57, who is under secretary.

Teachers vote to reject caning

From Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent, Nottingham

In a surprise vote yesterday the Professional Association of Teachers defeated a motion favouring corporal punishment in schools, the day before the Government is to publish a consultative paper saying that the cane will be retained.

The decision by the association shows how divided teachers are about the use of the cane in schools. Later, Mr Peter Dawson, general secretary of the association, which has 23,000 members, said that the vote meant that teachers would support the Government's policy to be announced today that parents be allowed to contract out of corporal punishment for their children.

But he added that the association did not see this as a long-term solution to the debate, which began 18 months ago when the European Court of Human Rights ruled that children could not be beaten without their parents' consent.

Britain is the only remaining European country which allows corporal punishment in

schools. A large number of British cases await a decision in Strasbourg on the question of whether or not caning is inhuman and degrading.

Mr Dawson, who as the former headmaster of Eitham Green School in south London, used the cane and who supports abolition, said: "This consultative document is the first step towards abolition. It is unthinkable that some children will not be beaten because their parents have produced a piece of paper while others will because theirs have not."

The motion was defeated by 70 votes to 55 with 42 abstentions.

It would never be right for teachers to strike, or to threaten to do so, Lord Glenamara, a former Labour Secretary of State for Education, told the conference.

The peer, formerly Mr Ted Short and a one-time teacher, said that teachers should aim for professional status rather than industrial trade-unionism.

Iraqi role in clashes questioned

From Tim Jones Cardiff

The National Union of Students is urging Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, to order an investigation into the involvement of Iraqi Embassy diplomats in fighting which has broken out in British Universities.

Students have compiled reports on the activities of the Ba'athist National Union of Iraqi Students (NUIIS), painting a picture of spying, intimidation, violence, stabbings and beatings. Many student leaders believe that a campaign against the Moslem Iraqi Students' Society (ISS) is being orchestrated by agents at the Iraqi Embassy.

Iron bars, metal window frames and house bricks were used as weapons in a battle between the two groups in Cardiff last weekend. ISS said its members had gathered to protest against the "veiled robbery" of jewellery on the pretext of voluntary contributions to the war effort against Iran.

Miss Clarissa Roberts, the NUS overseas students officer, said: "We are very concerned over the activities of certain people at the Iraqi Embassy and we are waiting for Sir Geoffrey to reply to our letter."

A diplomat at the Embassy said: "It is ridiculous to suggest that I, or anyone else, is concerned in spying activities."

Barrister loses final battle with the taxman over clothes

By Richard Evans

Miss Ann Mallalieu, the barrister who has been engaged in a lengthy legal battle with the taxman over her right to claim tax relief on the black clothes she has worn in court, lost her case in the Lords yesterday.

By a four-to-one majority, the Law Lords allowed an appeal by the Inland Revenue and ruled that tax relief was not allowable on Miss Mallalieu's working wardrobe of black dresses, black suits, tights, black shoes, white shirts and blouses.

The lawyer, aged 36, whose case was backed by the Bar Council, had successfully claimed in the High Court and Court of Appeal that relief should be granted because her "dull and dowdy" clothes were used exclusively for work, and she would not dream of wearing them outside.

But in a judgment which could have far reaching implications in the tax field, Lord Brightman said that the taxman had been more than entitled to conclude that Miss

Mallalieu's object in buying the clothes was both professional and personal, and not exclusively professional. "I myself would have found it impossible to reach any other conclusion," he said.

The judge added that while Miss Mallalieu undoubtedly thought only of the requirements of her profession when she had her "subdued" clothing replaced or cleaned, she needed clothes to travel to work and wear at work, "and I think it is inescapable that one object, though not a conscious motive, was the provision of the clothing that she needed as a human being."

If Miss Mallalieu had won, Lord Brightman added, it would have been open to every self-employed person to set against his income the cost of the upkeep of a complete wardrobe of clothes, so long as he or she reserved the clothes strictly for work.

The clothing in question consisted of "perfectly ordinary articles of apparel which many ladies wear from choice."

To claim tax relief she had to establish that the money spent was "wholly and exclusively" for the purposes of her profession.

Lord Diplock, Lord Keith of Kinkell and Lord Roskill agreed that the appeal should be allowed. Lord Elwyn-Jones was the lone dissenter.

The Inland Revenue was worried that judgment against it would have led to thousands of applications for tax allowances on clothes worn to meet professional requirements.

But after yesterday's decision it is feared that the Inland Revenue will be able to crack down on a wide area of tax relief by all professions.

Miss Mallalieu, who was not in the House of Lords to hear the result, said later: "In the same way the Inland Revenue were fearful that if we won they would have thousands of demands from people. I rather fear that a number of people who have claimed happily up to now may find themselves on the end of an inspector who says 'No more - look at this case'."

She said that if the logic of the judgment was taken to the extreme it would mean any claim for tax relief could be disallowed where a claimant enjoyed an incidental benefit as a human being.

For example, tax relief on office rent could be disallowed because the claimant was protected from the elements while inside, and therefore benefited personally.

Miss Mallalieu challenged the Inland Revenue after it refused her claim involving £264 spent on replacing and cleaning her work clothes in the 1977 tax year.

An Inland Revenue spokesman said yesterday: "We do not cry when we lose and we do not crow when we win. Where there is a dispute between us and a taxpayer we do sometimes have to take the matter to the courts to see what the law really is."

He would not speculate on the effect of the judgment on other areas of tax relief. "The ramifications or possible relevance to other matters will have to await consideration of the judgment."

The Inland Revenue has spent several thousand pounds on the case and will have to foot the bill for the appeal. Miss Mallalieu will not face a legal bill.

Sir Arthur Power, secretary of the Bar Council, said yesterday that he was disappointed by the outcome. "I think Ann Mallalieu definitely had a point. We are sorry their Lordships have seen to throw it out."

The first casualties of the decision are likely to be colleagues of Miss Mallalieu. Many have successfully claimed tax relief for their clothes in the past because tax offices have differed in their interpretation of the law.

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Red tape ties up glass exhibits

By Geraldine Norman

Customs and excise red tape is tangling up an exhibition of 1980s artist glassmakers, sent to Britain by the Czechoslovak Ministry of Culture, so effectively that the exhibits may never be released.

Dan Klein, a Belgravia dealer in decorative arts, had received five crates of glass from Czechoslovakia for an exhibition he intends to hold in his gallery in October.

He had applied for relief from import duty under the Temporary Importation (Goods for Exhibition) Regulations, 1963

while giving Customs a deposit of £2,500 against duty.

He says his local customs and excise officer has rejected his appeal for relief of duty and said that "failure to comply with the correct procedures may lead to forfeiture of the goods". Needless to say, the goods are not Mr Klein's to forfeit.

"The whole thing is completely arbitrary", Mr Klein says "it is up to the local customs officer to decide what rules apply in each case. It should not be like that."

An exhibition of Czech contemporary artist glassmakers at the Glass House in Covent Garden, is timed to coincide with Klein's.

In both cases the exhibits have been provided by Art Centrum, the arts and crafts wing of the Czechoslovak Ministry of Culture. But the Glass House has been allowed relief of duty under the "goods for exhibition" regulations, although both galleries come under the same West End excise area.



Business as usual: Miss Ann Mallalieu in London yesterday.

Couples' Eucharist plea

By Robert Nowell

A book published today makes an appeal to the Roman Catholic bishops of England and Wales to follow the example of some other hierarchies and allow a non-Catholic husband or wife of a Roman Catholic to be admitted to communion in certain circumstances.

Called *Sharing Communion* it reports the experience of 80 couples who belong to Association of Inter Church Families, which consists of Roman Catholics married to members of other churches. They are couples both of whom are fully practising members of their

respective churches. Sixty-four are non-Roman Catholic spouses are Anglicans, with eight Methodists, three United Reformed Church, two Baptists, two Church of Scotland, and one Quaker.

Because of their high commitment, such couples find it distressing to be separated at the Eucharist, especially on important occasions such as their own weddings.

Sharing Communion: An Appeal to the Churches by Inter Church Families, Edited by Ruth Reason and Melanie Finch (Collins, £2.95).

Crematorium plan

By David Walker, Local Government Correspondent

Westminster City Council may sell its municipal crematorium to a private firm. Councilors are concerned that only a small percentage of those cremated at the East Finchley, north London, crematorium would be used in Westminster.

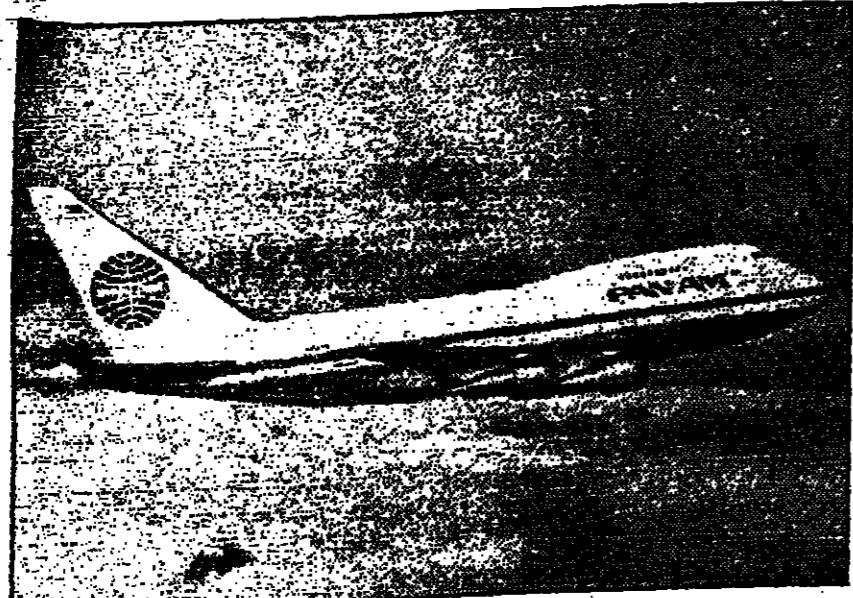
The crematorium, which rises out about 1,700 cremations a year, costs the council more than £55,000 in net spending.

Westminster, which is Conservative-controlled, is reviewing all its services on the orders of Mrs Shirley Porter, its leader.

who is a keen advocate of cost effectiveness.

At the recent committee meeting councilors were told of the need to replace costly oven equipment at the crematorium and decided to tell officials to investigate disposing of the crematorium altogether.

They are to report in September on the prospects for selling the crematorium and its extensive site adjoining the North Circular Road or, possibly, transferring it to the borough of Barnet where it is located. Local planning ordinances forbid alternative uses for the site.



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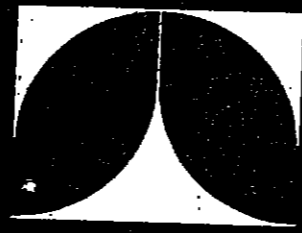
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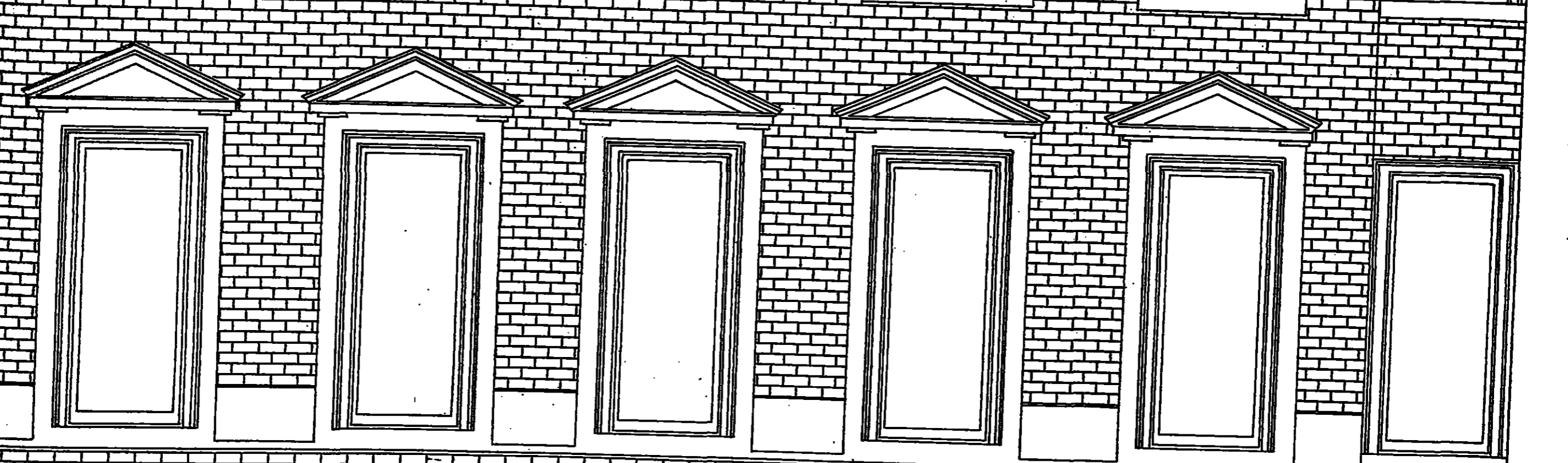
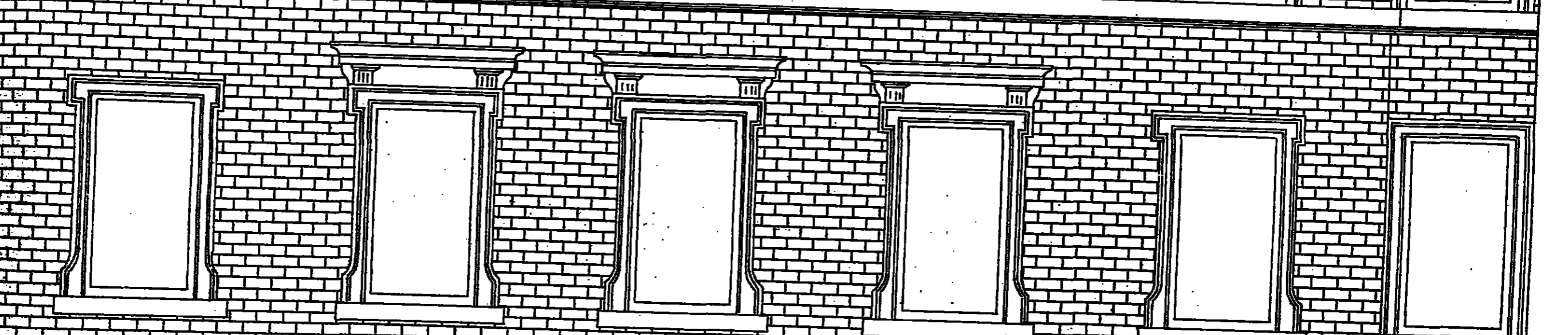
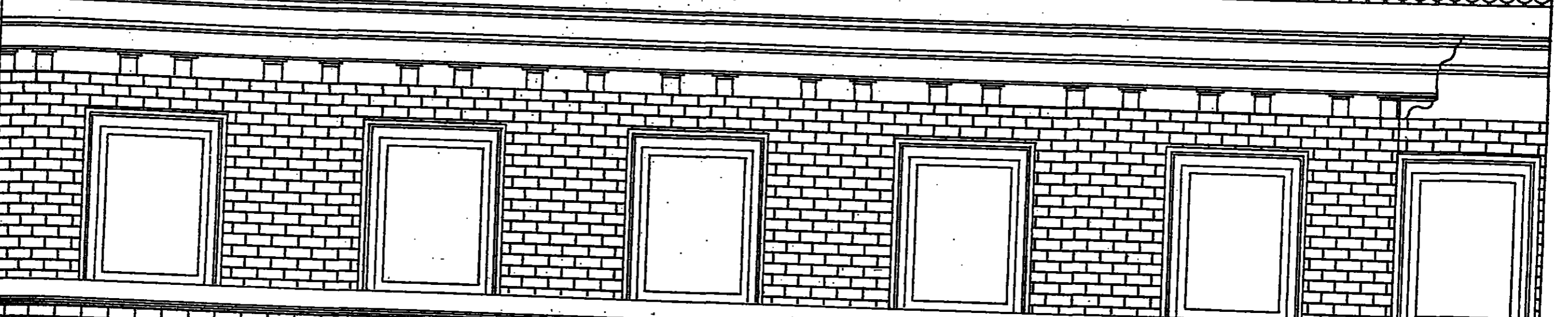
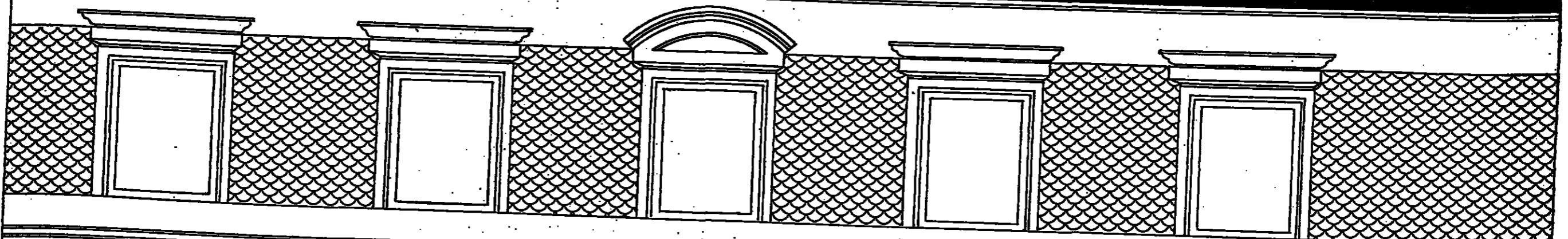


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Reagan reassurance fails to satisfy critics of Central American policy

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

President Reagan's insistence in a nationwide television broadcast that he is not leading the United States towards another Vietnam-style engagement in Central America has failed to stem a bitter and increasingly emotional partisan debate about the build-up of American arms and military personnel in the region.

Some Republican critics of the strategy were seemingly not fully reassured by the President's assertion that "There is no comparison with Vietnam and there is not going to be anything of that kind," although most Republicans pronounce themselves satisfied.

Immediately after the broadcast, Democratic leaders were strident in their warnings of conflict and demanded that the US call off the substantial military exercise planned in Central America between August and at least February.

Former Vice-President Walter Mondale, a leading contender for the Democratic presidential nomination, said that after listening to the President he was more certain than ever that the US was being led to war.

Mr Reagan appeared defensive throughout the press conference, which he opened with the longest prepared statement of any of his 19 presidential press conferences.

His attempt to portray the forthcoming military exercises as "routine" brought widespread criticism yesterday. During the manoeuvres US

warships will be positioned off both coasts of Central America while up to 4,000 US military personnel carry out exercises in Honduras. Critics pointed out yesterday that nothing of that scale or for such a duration has happened in Central America before.

Mr Reagan described the operations as a security shield and complained that insufficient attention was being given to the other strands of US strategy, such as the creation of the Kissinger commission and the efforts of Mr Richard Stone, the special envoy to Central America.

"We are not planning a war and we don't think that is going to happen," he said. "I don't want to see such a thing. We want peace."

"You have got to prevent what is happening down there to people who want peace, but are not allowed to have it because of outside forces that are seizing upon their situation and hoping to further their own ideological aims."

"We are not seeking a larger presence in that region and US forces have not been requested there," he continued. "The United States stands firmly on the side of peace."

In contrast to his earlier belligerent tone towards Nicaragua and Cuba, Mr Reagan said he was encouraged by recent statements by both countries in which they held out the prospect of regional peace negotiations.

Mr Reagan has written to the presidents of the Contadora group of nations - Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela and Panama - in which he appears to cast doubt on the prospects for their peace efforts.

Mexico, the principal member of the group, is highly critical of the increased US military presence in Central America and has given warning that American pressure could push Nicaragua completely into the arms of the Soviet Union.

That point will be made forcefully by President de la Madrid when he meets President Reagan for formal talks in La Paz on August 14.

Mr Reagan's television appearance prompted an almost immediate joint statement by three former Democratic Secretaries of State in which they called on Congress to cut off secret US aid to anti-government guerrillas in Nicaragua.

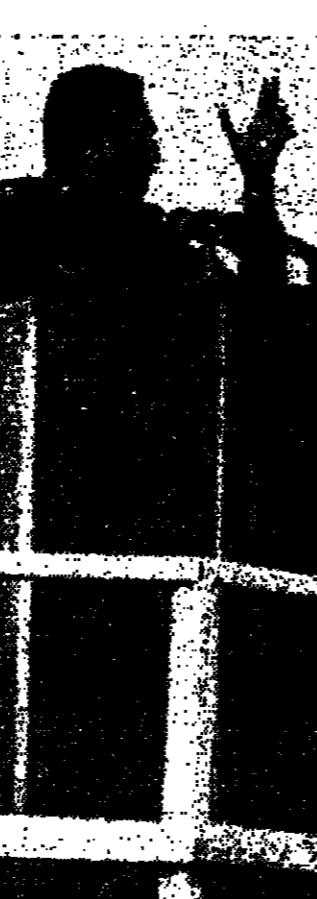
The House of Representatives is due to vote shortly on a Bill that seeks an immediate cut-off, but whatever the outcome there is no real prospect that the Senate would approve such a proposal.

Mr Edmund Muskie, Mr Dean Rusk and Mr Cyrus Vance, former Secretaries of State, said that any US support for El Salvador against intervention from the leftist Sandinista regime in Nicaragua "should be overt and not covert". They urged that American activities should conform to domestic and international law.

Nicaragua was being threatened with the same demented policy that had been used against Cuba since 1962, he said, and alleged that Washington's activities in Central America added up to a grave mistake that would have serious consequences for the US.

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Fighting talk: Nicaragua's territorial militia giving an enthusiastic reception in Managua to tough words from Commander Humberto Ortega, the Defence Minister (left) when he told them of the projected American naval manoeuvres, and urged them to resist the "dangers" of US intervention "house by house".

Castro accuses US of terror campaign

From Barbara Crossette (New York Times)

President Fidel Castro of Cuba says that the United States is trying to deploy troops in Central America through military manoeuvres now beginning in the region.

He said on Tuesday that over the past few weeks the US had been trying to create an atmosphere of terror around Nicaragua and that the campaign was awakening deep concern worldwide.

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resignation of the Nicaraguan Government.

He spoke in general terms about the spread of US military activity in the region and said these manoeuvres in effect put troops in Central America.

Senior Alarcon said Nicaragua was subject to open military aggression and needed to defend itself. He denied that Cuba had ever had as many as 2,000 military advisers in Nicaragua, although he declined to offer a specific figure.

Cuba had strengthened its civilian militias in the face of the military exercises and reports of an increasing US military presence in the region. Thousands of women had been added to the armed ranks for the first time.

Senior Alarcon declined to specify what actions Cuba was prepared to take should the US try to isolate Nicaragua militarily, but he said that the response from Latin America and the Caribbean would be swift and negative, and would be politically costly to the US.

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American system, Cuba has not been a member of the Organization of American States since its political system was found incompatible in the 1960s, and Havana was suspended from participation.

Senior Alarcon said that Havana viewed the situation in Central America as very grave.

"We are approaching a decisive moment," he said. Next January marks the Castro Government's twenty-fifth anniversary. However, the storming of an army barracks in Santiago, on July 26, 1953, is commemorated as the first big act of rebellion against the Government of Fulgencio Batista.

It was from a small farmhouse outside Santiago in the village of Siboney that about 130 revolutionaries, including Castro, then a lawyer in his 20s, attacked the Monegas army garrison. The attack was planned for carnival night, July 26, when the rebels assumed that many of the troops would be less than vigilant. The attack failed and a number of rebels died or were arrested.

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Iranians display gains of offensive

Haj Omran (Reuters) - Iranian forces have taken foreign reporters to the scene of their offensive into northern Iraq, showing that they have advanced nine miles into Iraq territory and captured a garrison.

They took the reporters past the captured garrison of Haj Omran to a line of defensive positions overlooking the village of Royal. Latest communications say fighting has continued on the frontlines.

Tutu allowed to travel

Johannesburg - Bishop Desmond Tutu, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, has been issued with restricted travel documents to attend the World Council of Churches' assembly in Canada. He had been refused the return of his passport earlier this month (Ray Kennedy writes).

His passport was withdrawn in 1980 after he made a speech in Denmark calling for an end to foreign investment in South Africa to force the Government to change its apartheid laws.

Dead drunk by the swag

Police tipped off about a housebreaking found a man passed out in an easy chair with an empty bottle of whisky by his side in Johannesburg yesterday. The owners of the house are on holiday (Ray Kennedy writes).

The man's pockets were stuffed with jewelry and there was a bag of swag ready to be taken away. When he came to in the police station he was arrested.

UPI's new chief

Mr Maxwell McCrobie who has been appointed editor-in-chief of United Press International, America's second largest news agency. Mr McCrobie, aged 55 and a Chicago newspaper executive, succeeds Mr H. L. Stevenson.

Friars freed

Vienna (AP) - Three Franciscan friars have been unexpectedly released from prison in Czechoslovakia after being held for four months without trial. Austria's Kathpress news agency reported. The friars had become an underground cause after their arrest on March 27.

Maori defence

Wellington (Reuters) - Dun Mihaka, the Maori protester who barred his backside at the Prince and Princess of Wales during their New Zealand tour told a court yesterday that he had contempt for royalty and the "horrible history of the House of Windsor". The case continues.

Warrants issued

Rome (AP) - Arrest warrants have been issued for two former employees of the Bulgarian Embassy in Rome for an alleged plan to set up a spy network. They were identified as Ivan Tomov Donchev and Simeon Georgiev Dyatchnov. Both men have left Italy.

Party man freed

Montevideo (Reuters) - Senior Carmine Medeiros Galvan, a leading member of Uruguay's traditional Blanco Party, was released from prison yesterday after a 28-day detention for slandering the armed forces.

Swedish hunt

The Swedish Navy was yesterday hunting a suspected submarine in the Gulf of Bothnia, north of Lulea, after 15 fishermen reported seeing a periscope.

Britons tell of violence in Colombo

British holidaymakers returning home from Sri Lanka yesterday described how they were "imprisoned" in their hotels during the riots in Colombo (the Press Association reports). They advised people not to go there.

They were on the first flight to Britain since the violence broke out between Tamils and Sinhalese early on Monday.

Mr Ian Ritchie, a businessman from Winchester, who had been in Colombo since Sunday and was on the Air Lanka flight to Gatwick, said: "Gangs were roaming the streets setting buildings on fire and there were thick clouds of smoke everywhere."

"It started on Monday, and then we were put under a curfew. The worst violence, I understand, was in Colombo, but the authorities were trying to play it down."

The British High Commission in Colombo has also warned tourists to stay away for at least two days, although the curfew was lifted yesterday.

Camp fatalities take storm toll to 12

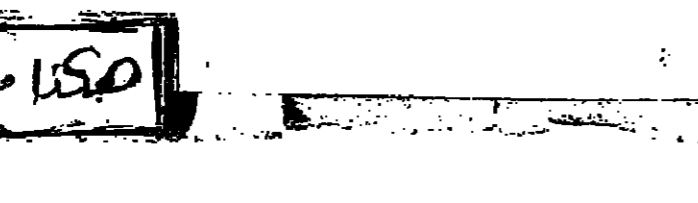
Another two campers were killed as storms continued to wreak havoc across France, tearing up thousands of trees, ripping roofs off houses, blocking roads and laying waste thousands of acres of crops. The death toll over the past 10 days is now 12.

Falling trees were again responsible for the latest two deaths, crushing a girl aged 12 as she lay asleep in a caravan near Tours, and a man, aged 44, in a tent near Berganc, in the Dordogne, on Tuesday night.

The previous night, three campers had been killed by falling trees in the Niort region, near La Rochelle, as tornado-like winds gusted up to 60mph, snapping trees with 3ft thick trunks "like matchsticks", according to witnesses, while hailstones the size of table-tennis balls smashed windows and badly dented hundreds of cars.

The prefect for the region has asked the Government to declare it a disaster area, as had the Mayor of Nantes, farther north, in the Loire area, whose town was devastated by storms last week.

The freak storms, of rare violence but short duration, have also been breaking out in the Auvergne, Burgundy, Alsace-Lorraine, Brittany and around the Bordeaux area. Hundreds have been made homeless, and tens of thousands of people have had their telephones and electricity cut off.



On death row: Rocky, a pit bull terrier, awaits execution at Seattle for his part in a robbery, for which his master was convicted. The dog is vicious.

Greek Bill on nude bathing

In an attempt, no doubt, to add muscle to its flagging tourist trade, the Greek Government tabled a Bill making nudism legal, despite strong opposition from the Greek Orthodox Church.

The Bill empowers the national tourist organization to issue licences for the establishment of "visually isolated" nudist centres in secluded hotels or camping sites, provided the local authorities give their consent.

An introductory report to the Bill, signed by the ministers responsible for tourism and justice, pointed out that other countries "with strict mores" have tolerated nudism for several years because of its high financial return.

"Nature-lovers of this species," it said, "usually belong to the higher income brackets." Greek tourism, which is suffering the consequences of the world economic recession and domestic inflation, was particularly hit this year.

This resulted in a 6 per cent drop in arrivals during the first five months of the year, but a 35 per cent decline in tourist revenue which, certainly, reflects an illegal drain of foreign exchange.

Unarmed Arab students tackle Israeli troops with relish

Angry Palestinians staged a series of demonstrations and commercial strikes throughout the occupied West Bank yesterday in protest against the attack on Hebron University on Tuesday in which three Arab students were killed and more than 30 others wounded.

The worst violence occurred at Bir Zeit, the main Palestinian university where four students were wounded during a day-long pitched battle with Israeli troops. Arab sources claimed that of the injured were hit by live bullets fired by the soldiers.

In East Jerusalem, all businesses and shops in the Arab sector were closed but elsewhere in the West Bank the planned general strike was only partial. Over 70,000 Arabs living in Hebron and neighbouring Halhul remained under strict military curfew.

The first hint of trouble came at 10am when angry students at Bir Zeit, the West Bank's oldest Arab university, spilled out on to the streets to erect stone barricades, set tyres alight and chant slogans in protest against this week's killings of fellow students in Hebron.

Shultz meets Shamir on troop pullback

President Reagan, who is due to meet two Israeli Cabinet ministers in Washington here today, hopes that Israel's plan to pull back its forces to more secure lines in South Lebanon, would be only one phase leading to total troop withdrawal.

Survivor describes how shark shook girl like a doll

Some time after it took Mr Murphy, the shark returned and took Linda Horton, aged 21, who was the ship's cook.

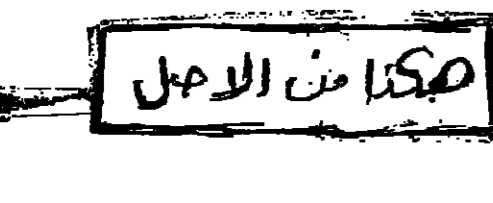
Mr Boundy said that the shark grazed his leg when it grabbed at him before the later attack on Mr Murphy. He said a wave knocked them off the pieces of wreckage, to which they had been clinging, and the shark grabbed at Mr Murphy's leg "and wouldn't let go".

"I yelled at him: 'Kick as hard as you can' 'Dennis gave up his life for us when he swam away after his leg was ripped off.' Mr Boundy said. "He knew he had no chance - we had no tourniquets - so he told us to get moving so we wouldn't be eaten."

"About two hours later I saw the shark - I think the same one about five metres long - swim near my leg."

He said that about two hours later a delirious Miss Horton was thrown out of her life ring and then flung into the water by the shark. "I saw the shark's eyes. He turned on his side and lunged out of the water almost upside down and grabbed Linda by the arm and chest. She wasn't in the water. I was, but I wasn't taken."

Mr Boundy said that it was "so quick, she squealed. It shook her like a rag doll to get her out of the life ring. It was lucky it was pretty quick. Linda was already delirious and she mumbled a few times before she went down with the shark."



The missile issue in Europe and America

Bonn protests its commitment to full deployment

From Michael Blayon, Bonn
Herr Jürgen Todenhöfer, the disarmament spokesman of the ruling Christian Democratic Union, yesterday emphatically welcomed the results of the Nato meeting in Brussels...

Senate vote supports MX cash for Reagan

From Mohsin Ali, Washington
The Republican-controlled Senate handed President Reagan a significant victory on Tuesday night, when it voted 58 to 41 for the production of the controversial MX missile.

Minister under fire Scots angry at fish 'gift' to Norway

From Ian Murray, Brussels
Norway alone has been given the right by the EEC to catch herring in the North Sea, a decision which has infuriated Scottish fishermen.

£1,300m plan to bail out Belgian steel industry

From Our Own Correspondent, Brussels
The seemingly inexorable progress towards regionalization in Belgium has taken another lurch forward with the coalition Government's latest proposals to bail out the country's beleaguered steel industry.

Strauss denies his policy has changed

From Our Own Correspondent, Munich
Herr Franz Josef Strauss, the Prime Minister of Bavaria, said yesterday his recent first meeting with Herr Erich Honecker, the East German leader, did not mark a shift in his basic policy.

Court frees sex case diplomat

From Bernard D Nossiter, (New York Times)
After 10 months in seclusion, a North Korean diplomat left his refuge at his country's mission on Tuesday and surrendered to Westchester county authorities on a charge of sexual abuse.

Volga deaths blamed on boat crew

From Richard Owen, Moscow
An official report on the Soviet Union's worst shipping disaster on inland waterways blames the accident on members of the boat's crew who died in the collision.

Von Richthofen downs a Briton at bridge

Wiesbaden (Reuter) - The European bridge championships erupted in a row between two leading figures yesterday. The two are the British star, John Collings, who has been engaged as captain of the Swiss ladies' team, and Joachim von Richthofen, the German captain.

a metaphor that Collings was overheard to use. Collings claimed this was a response to a less earthy remark directed at his team. One thing led to another and Collings was called before the appeals committee, who asked him to apologize, which he did.



Mourning Evita: Hundreds of Argentines paying homage at the graveside of Señora Evita Perón, the second wife of President Juan Perón. She died of cancer on July 26, 1952, revered for her charity work and her political influence.

Optimism on Craxi coalition chances

From Peter Nichols, Rome
Signor Bettino Craxi, the Italian Prime Minister-designate, is due to finish today his first round of detailed consultations with leaders of the first round of detailed consultations with leaders of the first round of detailed consultations...

Trident DISCOUNT SUPERSTORES advertisement. Features large text: 'Cash or credit at guaranteed lowest discount prices'. Includes a list of products and prices such as 'AUTOMATIC WASHERS', 'TUMBLE/SPIN DRYERS', 'DISHWASHERS', 'VACUUM CLEANERS', 'FREEZERS', 'FRIDGE FREEZERS', 'REFRIGERATORS', 'ELECTRIC COOKERS', 'COOKER HOODS', 'SMALL APPLIANCES', 'MICROWAVE OVENS', 'GAS APPLIANCES', 'VIDEO TAPES', 'VIDEO RECORDERS', 'TRANSISTOR RADIOS', 'STEREO SYSTEMS', 'CLOCK RADIOS', 'MUSIC CENTRES', 'HI-FI SYSTEMS', 'CASSETTE RECORDERS', 'STEREO RADIO RECORDERS', 'RADIO RECORDERS', 'BLACK & WHITE TV', 'CITY WITH TELETEXT'. Also includes a map of store locations across the UK.

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Immediately previous lawful use allowed

Young v Secretary of State for the Environment and Others
 Before Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Elwyn-Jones, Lord Lowry, Lord Roskill and Lord Brightman.
 [Speeches delivered July 27]

Section 23 (9) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 did not enable a person upon whom an enforcement notice had been served alleging a breach of planning control by making a material change in the use of land, to revert to the use to which the land was last lawfully put but only to revert to the use immediately preceding that which was the subject of the enforcement notice.

Ormsod (*The Times* February 8, 1983) who had dismissed an appeal from Mr Justice Forbes who dismissed his appeal against an enforcement notice in respect of a building in Woodside Crescent, Sidcup, served by Bexley Borough Council and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Environment.

Section 23 (9) provides: "Where an enforcement notice has been served in respect of any development of land, planning permission is not required for the use of the land for the purpose for which it could lawfully have been used if that development had not been carried out."

LORD FRASER said that where an enforcement notice was issued in respect of any development, was the subsection authorized without planning permission was for the purpose for which the land could lawfully be used "if that development had not been carried out".

The appellant's argument would have involved reading the subsection as if it referred to the purpose "for which the land could last lawfully have been used before that development had been carried out". Such a reading would materially alter the sense of the subsection and was unwarranted.

Lord Elwyn-Jones, Lord Lowry, Lord Roskill and Lord Brightman agreed.

Solicitors: Ward Bowie for Chancellor & Ridley, Dartford; Treasury Solicitor.

The House of Lords dismissed an appeal by Mr John Anthony Young from the Court of Appeal (Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Watkins and Sir Roger

Barrister loses court clothes tax plea

Mallalieu v Drummond
 Before Lord Diplock, Lord Elwyn-Jones, Lord Keith of Kinkaid, Lord Roskill and Lord Brightman.
 [Speeches delivered July 27]

In deciding whether a barrister taxpayer's object in expending money on the replacement and laundry of black suits and dresses was exclusively to serve her professional purposes, the Commissioners for the General Purposes of the Income Tax were not limited to considering the particular conscious motive in the taxpayer's mind at the moment of the expenditure.

The House of Lords allowed an appeal by Mrs Roderick Drummond, one of her Majesty's Inspectors of Taxes, from a decision of the Court of Appeal (Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Kerr and Sir Robert Goff) (*The Times* December 15, 1982; [1983] 1 WLR 252) who upheld a decision of Mr Justice Slade (*The Times* March 13, 1981; [1981] 1 WLR 908) who allowed the appeal of the taxpayer, Mrs Mallalieu, from a decision of the Commissioners for the General Purposes of the Income Tax for the year of assessment 1977-78.

Collars should be white and shoes black.

There were no other rules relating to the clothes to be worn by a female barrister under her court gown.

The taxpayer bought clothes in conformity with those requirements. The initial cost of purchase was a capital expense and therefore not deductible for tax purposes. However, she needed to clean and renew them from time to time and in the accounting period for the year of assessment 1977/78 she spent some £500 on replacements, laundering and cleaning. That sum was claimed as a deduction in computing the profits of her practice under Schedule D.

To qualify as a deduction the expenditure had to fall outside the prohibition contained in section 130 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 which provided: "Subject to the provisions of the tax Acts, no sum shall be deducted in respect of—

(a) any disbursements or expenses, not being money wholly and exclusively laid out for the purposes of the trade, profession or vocation;

(b) any disbursements or expenses of maintenance of the parties, their families or establishments, for any sums expended for any other purposes distinct from the purposes of the trade, profession or vocation."

By 1922 the ranks of the Bar began to be enriched by the entry of women barristers, who had no precedents or comparisons to draw upon. Rules were accordingly issued by the Lord Chief Justice and amended in 1968.

The 1968 rules had now been replaced by brief "Notes for Guidance on Dress in Court", which applied to barristers of both sexes. Those notes were formally approved by the Bar Council and received the assent of the Lord Chief Justice.

What sort of clothes a barrister should wear in court and chambers was a matter of good taste and common sense, the criterion being that they should be appropriate to the dignity of the occasion.

No official guidance was ever thought necessary until about 60 years ago. A barrister conformed as a matter of course to the sartorial standards of his colleagues.

The effect of section 130(a) was to exclude as a deduction the money spent by the taxpayer unless she could establish that it was spent exclusively for the purposes of her profession.

The words "expended for the purposes of the trade, profession or vocation" meant expended to serve the purposes of the trade, profession or vocation for the purposes of enabling the taxpayer to carry on and carry on to the trade etc. The words did not refer to the purposes of the taxpayer but to the purposes of the business which was a different concept although the purposes (that is, the intentions or objects) of the taxpayer were fundamental to the application of section 130(a).

The question was whether there was evidence which entitled the General Commissioners to reach the conclusion that the object of the taxpayer in spending the money was also to serve her private purposes of providing apparel with which to clothe herself.

Mr Justice Slade felt driven to answer the question in favour of the taxpayer because he felt constrained by the Commissioners' finding that, in effect, the only object present in the taxpayer's mind was the requirements of her profession. The conscious motive of the taxpayer was decisive.

Mr Andrew Park, QC and Mr David Milne for the taxpayer, Mr Peter Miller, QC, Mr Robert Carruth and Mr Michael Hart for the Crown.

LORD BRIGHTMAN said that the immediate issue concerned the right of a female barrister, in computing the profits of her profession, to deduct the cost of upkeep of a wardrobe of clothes of a design and colour suitable to be worn under her gown during court appearances.

But during the course of the argument that issue was found to

resolve itself into a far more general and fundamental question: whether any person carrying on a trade, profession or vocation on his own account was entitled to a similar deduction if he chose to set apart clothes, underclothes and footwear for use only at his place of work, and when proceeding to and from his place of work.

The taxpayer was a member of the junior Bar with a busy court practice. When appearing in open court she was obliged to wear a gown over her ordinary clothing, and a wig. When not in open court but in the chambers of a judge, master or registrar, she would (or could) appear in her ordinary clothes without wig or gown.

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Cross-summonses cannot be heard together

Regina v Epsom Justices, Ex parte Gibbons
 Before Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Taylor.
 [Judgment delivered July 27]

Justices had no power to permit the hearing of cross-summonses together, whether or not the parties consented.

asked for the two informations to be tried separately, but the applicant had contended that since they were founded on the same incident, and involved the same evidence, they should be tried together. The justices decided to try them separately.

The applicant now submitted that the justices had been wrong to regard themselves as bound by *Aldus*, and that they had failed to have regard to matters explained in *Clayton v Chief Constable of Norfolk* (*The Times*, March 19, 1983; [1983] 2 WLR 555). But since they had not been referred to it, it was impossible to make that criticism.

there was the danger of cross-summonses being used merely as an unjustifiable weapon of defence.

In those circumstances, *Clayton* did not apply, and his Lordship was persuaded that justices did not have the power to permit the simultaneous trial of cross-summonses, no matter who consented. Accordingly, although for irrelevant reasons, the justices had reached the correct decision, the application would be dismissed.

Solicitors: Spencer Gibson & Son, Sutton; Metropolitan Police Solicitor.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held, dismissing Susan Patricia Gibbons' application for judicial review of a decision by the Epsom Justices on April 7, 1983, to hear separately two cross-summonses brought by the applicant and by PC Douglas Corrie, in each case alleging assault.

In *Aldus* applying *Brangwynne v Evans* ([1962] 1 WLR 267), it had been held that where separate informations were preferred against two or more persons, justices had no power to try them together without consent. Clearly the justices had assumed that lack of consent by one

party deprived them of their discretion.

The House of Lords, in *Clayton*, reviewing those and other authorities, ruled that lack of consent did not deprive justices of their discretion to proceed in any manner which appeared just, although it was an important consideration. Lord Roskill had stated in clear terms how that discretion had to be exercised, and his Lordship thought justices would be well advised to follow that guidance carefully in similar cases.

Judgment in *Gillick v West Norfolk and Wisbech Area Health Authority* (*The Times* July 27) was delivered on July 26, Berrymans were acting as London agents for Ollard & Bentley, March.

Mr Alexander Cranbrook for the applicant; Mr Simon Pratt for the constable.

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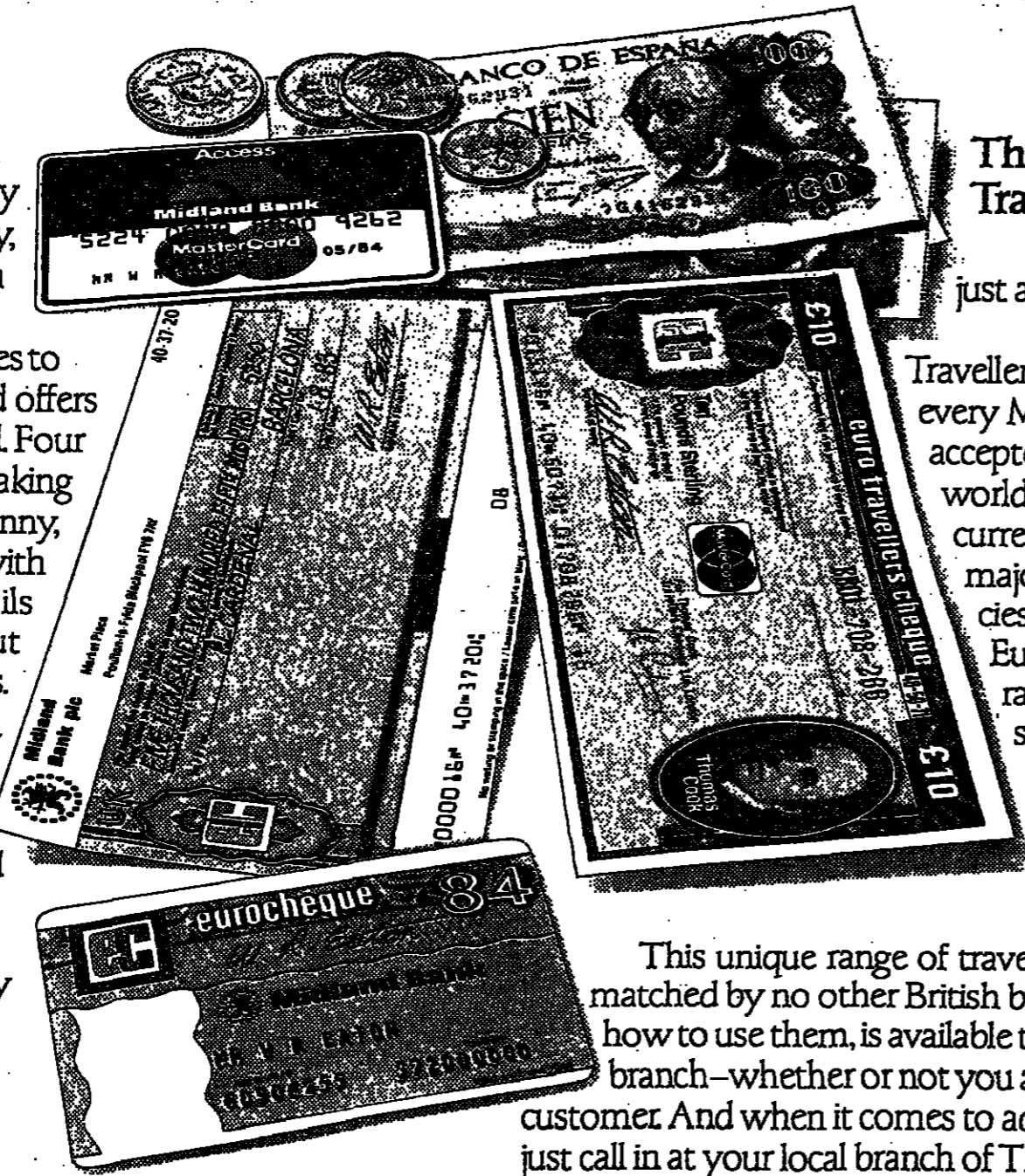
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The reasoning of the Court of Appeal was the same. What was present in the taxpayer's mind at the time of the expenditure concluded the case.

His Lordship was totally unable to accept that narrow approach. Of course the taxpayer thought only of the requirement of her profession when she first bought (as a capital expense) her wardrobe of subdued clothing and, no doubt, as and when she replaced items sent them to the launderer the clothes were, in effect, if asked, have repeated that she was maintaining her wardrobe because of those requirements. It was the natural way that anyone incurring such expenditure would think and speak.

But she needed clothes to travel to work and wear at work and it was inescapable that one object, though not a conscious motive, was the provision of clothing that she needed as a human being.

His Lordship rejected the notion that the object of a taxpayer was inevitably limited to the particular conscious motive in mind at the moment of the expenditure. The motive of such a taxpayer was of vital significance, but it was not inevitably the only object which the Commissioners were entitled to find to exist.

The Commissioners were not only entitled to reach the conclusion that the taxpayer's object was both to serve the purposes of her profession and also to serve her personal purposes, but his Lordship himself would have found it impossible to reach any other conclusion.

It was inevitable that analogues would be canvassed; for example the self-employed nurse who equipped herself with a nurse's uniform. Such cases were matters of fact and degree. In the case of the nurse the material and design of the uniform might be dictated by the practical requirements of the art of nursing and the maintenance of hygiene.

Similar considerations might apply to the self-employed waterer who needed to wear "hauls" as an essential part of the equipment of his trade.

The present decision should not raise problems in the "uniform" type of case because it was a matter of degree.

Lord Diplock, Lord Keith of Kinkaid, and Lord Roskill agreed.

LORD ELWYN-JONES, dissenting, said that it was not open to the Commissioners in view of their findings of fact as to the taxpayer's purposes to conclude that as the clothing was suitable for private as well as professional use, one of her purposes must have been to spend money on the clothing for her private use.

That would be to disregard the evidence which they accepted as to her actual motive and purpose. That they had found was to enable her to carry on her profession.

Other benefits derived from the expenditure, namely that the clothing also provided her with warmth and decency, were purely incidental to the carrying on of her profession in the compulsory clothing she had to wear.

Solicitors: Penningtons, Solicitor of Inland Revenue.

Injunctions against Laker

British Airways Board v Laker Airways Ltd and Others
British Caledonian Airways Ltd v Same
Laker Airways Ltd and Another v Secretary of State for Trade and Industry

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the court would leave it to the House of Lords to consider whether leave to appeal should be granted.

Injunctions were ordered against Laker and the other defendants including a mandatory order that the defendants see their best endeavours to procure that British Airways and British Caledonian cease to be parties to the proceedings in the Columbia District Court.

The orders were suspended for the time necessary for a petition to the House of Lords for leave to appeal.

THE ARTS

Opera: John Higgins, in Bayreuth, reviews the first two instalments of 'the British Ring'

Wagner's fairy-tale is reaching majestically for the stars

Siegfried Jerusalem (left) as Siegmund - "for an hour or so the Helden tenor had come out of the museum" - Jeannine Altmeyer's Sieglinde matching his passion note for note, and the inexhaustibly resourceful Siegmund Nimmgera as Wotan to the Brunnhilde of Hildegard Behrens, "surely the star singer of this Ring"



Inevitably it has been dubbed "the British Ring". In 1976 the French came to Bayreuth under Captain Chéreau, 1983 is the year of the British, with Sir Georg Solti in the pit and Sir Peter Hall and William Dudley as the production team. All three make their house debuts. Behind comes a posse of half-a-dozen British singers, some of them admittedly in minor parts. And in the foyer of the local banks there is an exhibition of the Ring at - where else? - Covent Garden.

On the evidence of the first two evenings of the Ring so far this week it looks like a British victory. The waters of the Rhine washed away the memories of disputes during the four-month rehearsal period and the loss of the tenors for both Siegmund and Siegfried, all fully reported in the German press. The international Helden tenor now seems to have achieved dinosaur status and is found only in museums and on old gramophone records.

The Hall/Dudley approach is signposted the moment the curtain rises on Rheingold. The Ring will be unfolded as a fairy-tale, albeit for the mature, and told via the elements of nature on which Wagner laid so much stress. Others have preferred political elements, but they are nowhere in sight.

Water is already there as the three nude Rhinemaidens splash about on stage. Fire, earth and air will surely follow. The excellent Diana Montague is the tall one. Agnes Haberer and Birgitta Svenden her smaller, fishy sisters; each one an Esther Williams without the swimsuit. Alberich climbs up from beneath the river to pursue them. It is all done with a tank and reflecting mirrors and the theatrical illusion is spectacular. Hall might have been thought to have had his fill of liquid containers on stage after *Way Upstream*, but Wagner and Ayckbourn are different kettles of fish. And for once Wagner's almost impossible stage directions are carefully followed.

The move from the murky, swirling waters of the Rhine to the hilltop outside Valhalla is into another world. Wotan and Fricka are asleep on a grassy bank like a pair of lovers from *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, except that their physical separation is carefully outlined. Dudley has created a platform a few feet above the stage level shaped like a slice of fried *loberkne* or a rectangular sandwich which has lain around for some time, except that its corners curl downwards rather than up. Hall, who ever since *Calisto* at Glyndebourne has been eager to thrust his singers towards the audience, can tilt the platform down to the Rhine or up to Valhalla. It also conceals and holds back entrances: Fasolt and Fafner loom over above as they come in search of their reward for building Valhalla, a castle almost as far distant.

Hall apparently was asked to provide special insurance for putting his two basses (Manfred Schenk and Dieter Schweißart, both rich of voice) on stilts and quite rightly declined. The giants have no trouble in climbing around, masked like ogres - the fairy-tale element again - and with Freia (Anita Soldt), a frightened Alice-in-Wonderland figure, scarcely coming up to their hips.

Nimmgera, with seemingly inexhaustible vocal resources, was back on form with the return of Brunnhilde. In Hildegard Behrens Bayreuth surely has the star singer of this Ring. Karajan in Salzburg showed an entirely new Behrens to the opera world when he staged and conducted *Salome*. Hall and Solti have together created yet another transformation with this, her first Brunnhilde. In shining black leather, with sequined studs, she looks like a Saint Joan calling her amazon army to battle, the difference being, of course, that she falls almost at once. In the long confrontation with Wotan Miss Behrens revealed all the mellowness of tone, flecked with resignation, that suggests hers will be a great Brunnhilde. Nimmgera in "Der Augen leuchtendes Paar" showed the passions which his Wotan had earlier so carefully suppressed. If this Ring is to be related as a fairy-tale then it is one with very human emotions.

Earlier in Act I Siegfried-Jerusalem and Jeannine Altmeyer had given a vivid, almost violent demonstration of sexual attraction as Siegmund and Sieglinde. At the beginning of the week Jerusalem had been a lacklustre Walther in *Meistersinger* - something of that in a later report. Siegmund lies admirably for his voice and for an hour or so the Helden tenor had come out of the museum and back into the theatre. Jeannine Altmeyer matched his vocal passion note for note with her enormous soprano, and in the heroic embrace at the close of Act I it seemed as though Siegfried was being created on the spot.

William Dudley has devised for Hunding (Matthias Hölle) a tree-house which again follows Wagner's directions precisely, a massive trunk in a gloomy forest with double doors which fly open to let in Spring and light. Du bist der Lenz. And rarely has Spring sprung in so fast.

Dudley and Hall close *Walküre*, just as they opened *Rheingold*, with a piece of visual magic. Hall has a theatrical fondness for reaching for the stars. So the four Valkyries appear high above the stage as if from some distant galaxy - in fact they are strapped on to the top slice of Dudley's sandwich - before being revolved down towards the audience and given a sight of the corpses of the heroes being carried into Valhalla. These appear to be as nude as those *Rheingold* Rhinemaidens, which could give a thrill to any Valkyrie with necrophilic inclinations.

Concerts

Invented space

BBCPO/Downes
Albert Hall/Radio 3

The first of the several works commissioned for the Proms by the BBC had its world premiere on Tuesday from the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra. Elizabeth Maconchy's *Musica For Strings* proved to be a distinguished (and also enjoyable) contribution to a tradition that goes back to modern times, to Elgar's *Introduction and Allegro*. Not that it was ever, despite its frequently elegiac tone, self-consciously English.

The first movement, basically *moderato*, had many changes of emphasis, and solo lines detached themselves from time to time. But the textures were usually full, and in the best sense heavy - with the weight of meaning. The Scherzo was mainly pizzicato and there was a return to intense emotion with the third movement, a *mezzo*.

Here again individual voices were heard from, yet the ensemble dominated with the same expressive richness as in the opening movement. By now she had realized that it was the music's feeling of spaciousness which made its emotion so densely allowable, its vehicle being a prolific but disciplined invention. This last was most evident in Miss Maconchy's *Viola*, which in some ways moved to be the liveliest and most powerful movement.

Theatre

Happy Family

Duke of York's

Giles Cooper was without doubt the finest radio dramatist this country has produced, and one sadness of his premature death in 1966 is that it virtually coincided with the appearance of this piece, in which he seemed to promise for an equal conquest of the stage.

Much of Cooper's work consists of a malevolently comic exorcism of his early experience of public school and the regular Army; and never more so than in this chilling study of unnaturally prolonged childhood. You have only to visit a reunion dinner to witness the features of the bully and the sneak lurking under the double chins and civil manners of the old boys who have gone up in the world.

What Cooper does with the three siblings who comprise the happy family is to eliminate the social disguise altogether. As they were in the nursery, they are now. Big brother Mark keeps his two sisters in comfortable seclusion through looking after their stocks and shares. Money keeps the world at bay. And, although they live at widely separated addresses, they talk (like Sir George Sitwell looking over a crowded industrial valley to a mansion on the next hilltop) as though there were nobody else in the world. The play brings them together at the country house of the younger sister, Deborah, and plunges them into the same fun and games they have been enjoying ever since Nanny's time.

Concerts

Max Harrison

with the musical use of piano virtuosity, and Miss Scharapan's playing of the initial Presto well reflected this music's confident assertiveness.

Intensity was the main point of the slow movement, but there was no doubt about the performer's ability to sustain a long line. Beethoven's dramatic switches of texture notwithstanding. In the finale, as in the Trio of the Minuet, some of the most beautiful music was taken to undue extremes, disrupting the acute sense of scale that was evident earlier in this interpretation.

The Beethovenian affinities of the first movement of Schubert's Sonata, D959, were made pretty apparent, too, yet the result was still an exactly focused account of the music's storm and stress. The outer sections of the Andantino were poised but did not create quite the effect of distance that is essential if the proper feeling of rapt contemplation is to come across. Yet in the finale, the several brief invasions of silence before the coda were exquisitely timed.

Theatre

Dance

Royal Ballet
Covent Garden

romantic music. The best wrong places and repeatedly getting into position only at the crucial last moment. Only Lesley Collier and Genesia Rosato as the rival leading women succeeded in not being upstaged by them.

Collier was also one of the soloists in the evening's other work, *Four Schumann Pieces*, nicely contrasted with Jennifer Penney and Wayne Eagling as the rivals for Anthony Dowell's attention in the dramatic third movement. The playing by the Lindsay String Quartet was not perhaps the most persuasive one can imagine of Schumann's A major Quartet (Op 41 No 3), but Dowell's swift brilliance in the last movement and the intensity of his more reminiscent manner earlier in the ballet carried the day.

Theatre

Piercing comedy for the bewildered intruder: Angela Thorne (left), Stephanie Beacham, Ian Ogilvy, James Laurenson

attempted change is a young man, Gregory, whom the elder sister, Duchess, introduces as her fiancé.

There are nicknames, and there are punishments. Within the first few minutes Mark goes through the roof on discovering a Meccano dropside cot which Deborah has made with some of his pieces; for which offence he chastises her with the dreaded "Punishment B". When challenged over this he loses face by having to admit that after all the years of intimidation there is no such punishment.

Theatre

Irving Wardle

Bryan Appleyard

deduced intruder, when they are forced out of routine and come in contact with the brutal facts of life and the revelation that there is no Father Christmas.

Each has a separate style of movement and address. From Mr Ogilvy's stately strut to Miss Beacham's hippophile lunge. They also reserve their most piercing comedy for the scenes with James Laurenson's bewil-

Television

Frenetic elation

A bright American girl, she met and married an Englishman while on a scholarship to Cambridge. They had two children but the marriage subsequently broke up. She succeeded in killing herself in 1963. And that would be that except, of course, that Sylvia Plath wrote poetry. It was poetry that stuck very close to the raw surface of her self's contact with the world and, inevitably, it has generated a good deal of popular biographical fascination. Where the life ends and the poetry begins was as blurred for her as it has become for her admirers. The poems were jagged, baffled struggles with language which were, above all, startlingly conventional in form because, for all the fury and intensity of her output, she retained an intoxication with the received expressive idea of poetry which limited her verse to harsh, unmediated reactions rather than attainments.

Letters Home (Channel 4) could not have set out the case more plainly. A kind of *84 Charing Cross Road* with real roads, it was adapted by Rose Leiman Goldemberg from Plath's letters - largely to her mother, Aurelia. She left behind 696 of them so the life is pretty thoroughly documented. Her wild oscillations of mood, particularly her heartbreakingly optimistic phases, provide all the necessary dramatic tension so Goldemberg sensibly kept her expressive devices to the minimum - mother's and daughter's letters were occasionally read simultaneously or in counterpoint and there was an abstract scene consisting of misshapen, cloudy plastic flats behind which Sylvia periodically drifted.

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Flower power to the people

If anyone in Italy should ask why the nerve-racking, sleep-destroying job of prime minister looks attractive, the best response would be: ask Bettino Craxi.

He is almost certain to get the post and, almost uniquely, he can be seen to have willed his way towards it from the moment he took over leadership of the ailing Socialist Party in July 1976. This singleness of purpose distinguishes Signor Craxi from most Italians who have been invited to form a government.

It is a distinction greater than the fact that his success would bring the first Socialist ever to the prime ministership. Certainly, plenty of earlier leaders of the 40 or more post-war governments arrived after a career passed in the search for high office. Some got there because they were temporarily the strongest among the ruling class of the dominant Christian Democrat Party; others almost by accident, or because of some lucky set of circumstances. A further few found the reins of office in their grasp because some sort of historical destiny brought an impudent finger into the complexities of the political game and touched an outsider.

Most prime ministers begin to fail quite quickly, coming and going at an average of nearer eight months than a year. They may fall by being too energetic, just as they may stay by scarcely being prime minister at all and so avoiding the tensions that activity inevitably brings to a coalition. And some even go because their success is resented.

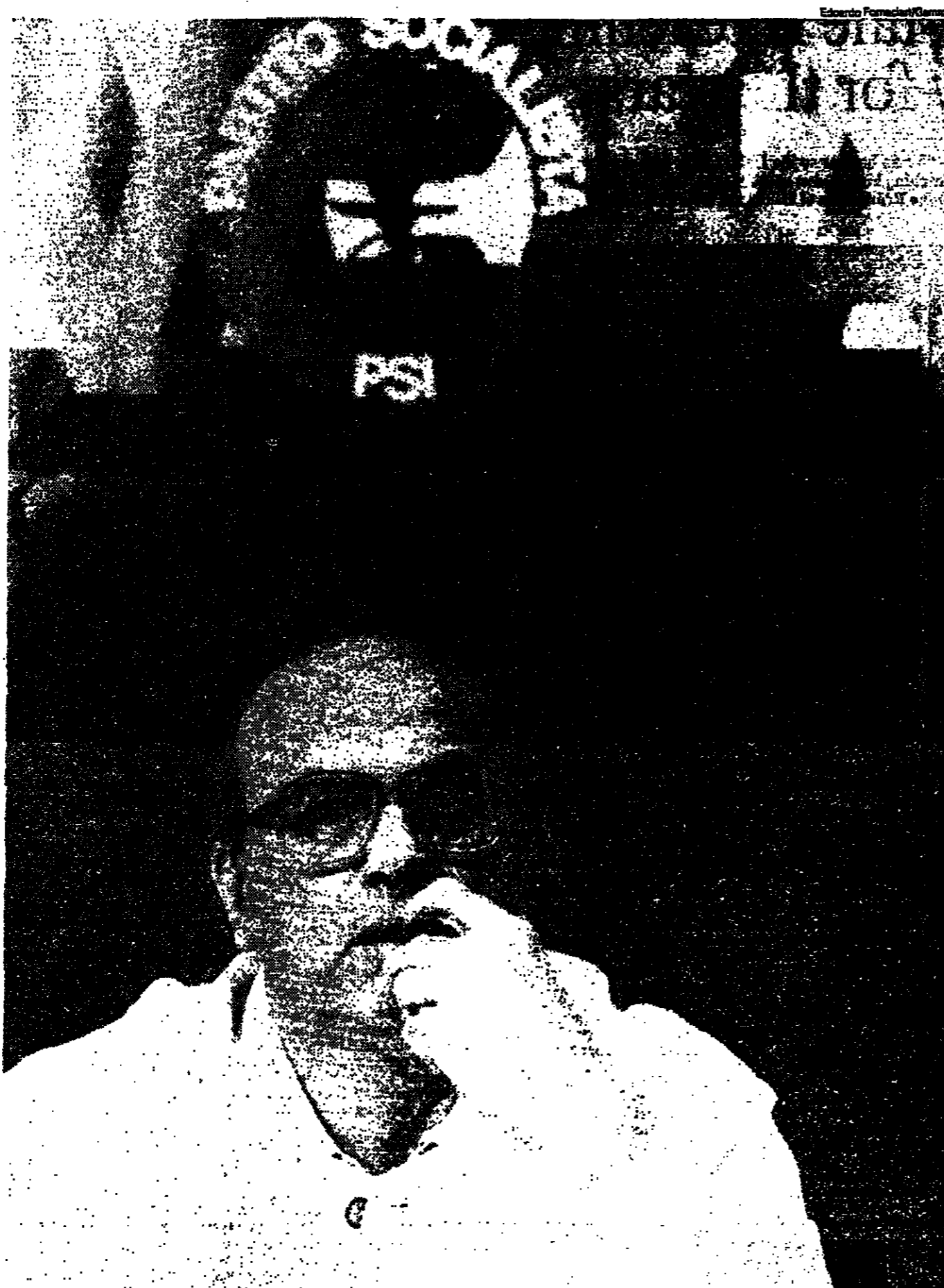
Craxi is still just under 50, unusually tall, with a reputation for remoteness in making his decisions, and a sure hand at accumulating around him the fragments from which in Italian conditions the realities of power are made. He has been a politician all his working life, starting as a party official before even waiting to take a degree.

He was born in Milan but the origins of his family are in Sicily. It is a familiar name, in different spellings, in the Messina area. Craxi himself speaks of one branch talked of locally as having descended from 'a king's son', which may mean that a lady of this particular Craxi line was more than a good friend of Ferdinand IV during his exile from Naples in 1799.

His father Vittorio called his first son Benedetto, but he immediately became known as Bettino, a diminutive which has stayed with him all his life despite its old-fashioned ring. The father was and remains a convinced socialist and was confirmed in his anti-communism by his experience as a candidate for Parliament immediately after the war, when a pact of unity of action still existed between the Communist and Socialist parties. The son's strange nickname made some of the wishful thinkers among his enemies suggest that his real name had been not Benedetto but Benito.

Persistent efforts have, in fact, been made to compare him with Mussolini who, of course, began his political life as a socialist. Cartoonists frequently show Craxi in Fascist uniform and it is a coincidence in his early life that, shortly after Mussolini's death, his father was appointed prefect of Como, where the broken dictator passed his last hours. That childhood experience should have warned Bettino off right-wing adventures.

The background of his father's lawyer's office and socialist friends meant that he knew many heroes of the



The Times Profile: Bettino Craxi

resistance movement. They included Sandro Pertini, now President and a lifelong Socialist too, but of a different generation and stamp from Craxi. Pertini was present during the two great changes in the country's political leadership. In June 1981 he invited Giovanni Spadolini to form the first government since the war, led by a prime minister who was not a Christian Democrat. Spadolini is a Republican. The choice has now gone to a Socialist and if Craxi has been denied an absolute first he was at least asked to try his hand in 1979. Then he failed but his efforts were useful to him

in bringing him closer to President Pertini, who before had been cold towards him.

The Christian Democrat loss of their monopoly of the prime ministership ushered in the second great change. As the dominant party began to lose its once seemingly eternal function of leadership, the institutional weaknesses surrounding the executive became clearer. They were always there but less obvious when the prime minister came from the predominant party.

Craxi recognized this problem early. He also saw the difficulties it brought for Spadolini, a man of great working

capacity and energy who nevertheless was severely handicapped as prime minister by the fact that his Republican Party was small. Putting aside the personal antipathies which Craxi arouses, and fears about his autocratic manner, he can be fairly said to have dealt with this fundamental problem of the executive within his own party in a convincing way. He has never, however, held any ministerial office.

When he was elected secretary in July 1976, he had 10 per cent of the party's right wing behind him and his incautious elders predicted a brief term of office for him. He won the vital

national congress in 1981 with 70 per cent of the vote and he had, in the meantime, turned his party from what looked in 1976, at the height of Communist advances, practically a relic of the past, into an efficiently managed modern group.

He has discarded Marx in favour of Proudhon's view that communism would "Asiatize European civilisations", and has replaced the hammer and sickle with the red carnation as the Socialist Party's symbol. He imposed one policy - his own, of course - on a party traditionally ambivalent especially towards communism. His position as secretary has, since then, been totally safe so long as his methods attract a bigger popular vote.

What has been called the "Craxi effect" looked set to put wind in plenty in the Socialist sails. But in the general election last month, which Craxi himself imposed, his showing was a disappointment. This was partly due to a series of scandals involving leading Socialists in Piedmont.

The more popular Spadolini gained handsomely. Worse from Craxi's point of view was the failure of his fundamental argument: the logic of all he has done, including friendship with the Americans and acceptance of the cruise missiles should lead the Socialists to increase their votes substantially and at the expense of the communists. Last month they did neither.

In this sense it can be argued that Craxi should not have been offered the prime ministership at all. But that would be too literal a reading. The politicians are still not inclined to measure a direct connection between elections and the sort of government they feel the country should have. Craxi, moreover, gained in real power as a result of Christian Democrat losses. He commands only a little more than 10 per cent of the popular vote but because of parliamentary arithmetic his party is essential to any acceptable coalition.

Craxi draws advantages from what his adversaries condemn as its defects. He is criticized for placing power before ideology. The Communists, who call him "Nihil" or "Mr Nothing", see him as an enemy instead of the potential partner they would like in a left-wing coalition to force the Christian Democrats into opposition.

Fears about his alleged resemblance to Mussolini leave out of account the fact that he cannot rule as prime minister without a broad coalition behind him consisting of leaders of other parties who will watch him with suspicion. This is not the terrain from which dictators emerge, unless the system itself should collapse. And what he is bringing to it - which essentially is an awareness of power and its uses - may very well help to strengthen the executive.

The ailing office of prime minister, as well as the issue of relations between the executive and Parliament, are subjects which could well benefit from Craxi's experience and, for that matter, from his high-handedness.

It may be time for a man who can use the phrase which sounds so brutal in the framework of Italy's convoluted political life: I have great respect for those who study the stars, but unfortunately I have the unpleasant vice of believing only in what I see". He is presumably saying: "merits, as much as defects, can be looked for within ourselves and not in our stars, or even in our ideologies". Not being starry-eyed is what the "Craxi effect" really means.

Peter Nichols

moreover... Miles Kingston

A close shave for Andropov

There were jubilant scenes in Russia earlier this week when Yuri Andropov was found innocent on a charge of using a small American girl for unethical purposes. If he had been found guilty there could have been heavy penalties, especially for the judge and lawyers.

The first transcript of the trial is beginning to leak through, and we are proud to bring you an exclusive extract today. It has been declared authentic over the phone by more than 40 historians.

Counsel: Your name?

Andropov: Yuri Andropov.

Counsel: Your profession?

Andropov: Head of the Soviet Union, president of the Moscow Parks Committee, Honorary Colonel of the Massed Band of the KGB.

Counsel: Thank you, one job will do. Is there any truth in the rumour that your flat is stacked high with Glenn Miller records?

Judge: I do not see what this has to do with the case.

Counsel: Nothing, comrade judge, but it is something the whole world is dying to know.

Judge: Some other time, perhaps.

Counsel: Quite. Now, Mr Andropov, did you or did you not issue an invitation to a young American girl recently to be your guest in the USSR?

Andropov: I did.

Counsel: Were the words of your invitation: "Come to Moscow and I will show you a good time"?

Andropov: No, I said to her: "Come to Moscow and I will show you that Russia does not want war".

Counsel: Are you seriously suggesting that you and a teenage American girl exchanged letters about the international situation?

Andropov: Yes. She wrote to me first.

Counsel: This becomes more and more ludicrous. You now expect us to believe that a small girl in America wrote to you about the arms race, and that you wrote back inviting her for further talks?

Andropov: Yes.

Counsel: There are 10 million little girls in Russia, Mr Andropov. Why did you not write to one of them?

Andropov: Because they did not write to me first.

Counsel: Perhaps they did not have your address, Mr Andropov. Perhaps nobody in Russia has your address. Yet you ask the court to believe that this little girl in America knew your address. Had you perhaps been advertising in American magazines for little girls to be your pen-pals?

Andropov: This suggestion is outrageous.

Counsel: Perhaps you actually prefer American girls, Mr Andropov? Do you prefer the sun-tanned freckled, pretty American teenager to our pale but dumpy beauties?

Andropov: This is absolutely monstrous.

Judge: The line of questioning is dubious, Mr Andropov, but it cannot be denied that you have been writing to little American girls, and not to Russian girls. I think we ought to be told why.

Counsel: Perhaps I can put it another way. When the rest of the praesidium want to know how talks with the Americans are getting on, do you mention the fact that although not in contact with the White House you are writing to a small American girl about things?

Andropov: I do not think it would interest them.

Counsel: I see. You have concealed all this from the praesidium. Have you talked it over with Mrs Andropov?

Andropov: Yes, of course.

Counsel: I hope she was understanding. We shall find that out in a moment, when Mrs Andropov takes the stand to talk about your private life. Meanwhile, may I ask if you have ever corresponded with young American boys about the arms race, or indeed invited them to Russia?

Andropov: No.

Counsel: Well, thank heaven for small mercies.

(The case was adjourned at this point for new prosecuting counsel to be found).

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 113)

Grid for a crossword puzzle with numbers 1-26.

- ACROSS: 1 Sectional building (6), 5 Set of arches (6), 8 Increases (3), 9 Rabbit tunnels (6), 10 Japanese garment (6), 11 Eye infection (4), 12 Astound (4,4), 13 Uttered (6), 15 Hard (6), 17 Popular record (5,3), 20 Agreement (4), 22 Puts (6), 23 More sacred (6), 24 Foot digit (3), 25 Sad (6), 26 Calm (6). DOWN: 2 Act reciprocally (5), 3 Penally (7), 4 Tiered sleeper (4,3), 5 Awry (5), 6 Head design brooch (5), 7 Dampest (7), 14 Drinking glass (7), 15 Brings back (7), 16 Spiked (7), 18 Foot coverings (5), 19 Speed (5), 21 Swindle (5).

Where wet is high fashion

In archaeology, the wets are winning. The Mary Rose has been the most spectacular example of the success of wet archaeology, but a number of other projects emphasize that it is now in fashion. The trouble with wet archaeology is the expense: it is much more expensive to undertake than archaeology on dry land, while the conservation of artefacts afterwards is even more expensive. But the rewards are commensurately greater. Under normal conditions, change and decay rapidly reduces all but the toughest materials - flints and pot sherds - to dust, and it is only where it is very dry (as in the desert) or in the wet that wood, and all the other organic materials, are preserved. Professor John Coles, the doyen of wet archaeology, has



Conserving leather items from the Mary Rose's watery grave

estimated that though wet archaeology may cost four times as much as dry archaeology, the rewards are ten times as great.

Although the most spectacular wet archaeology is done underwater, equally remarkable results can be obtained on dry land, by

excavating in peat bogs and other waterlogged areas. Thus on the London waterfront the Roman and Medieval timber piers have been found, still in pristine condition, while in Viking York the remains of the timber houses were preserved 20 feet below the modern (dry) surface. Yet most wetland archaeology tends to take place in the peat bogs, and it is here that much recent work has been concentrated.

Fen disaster

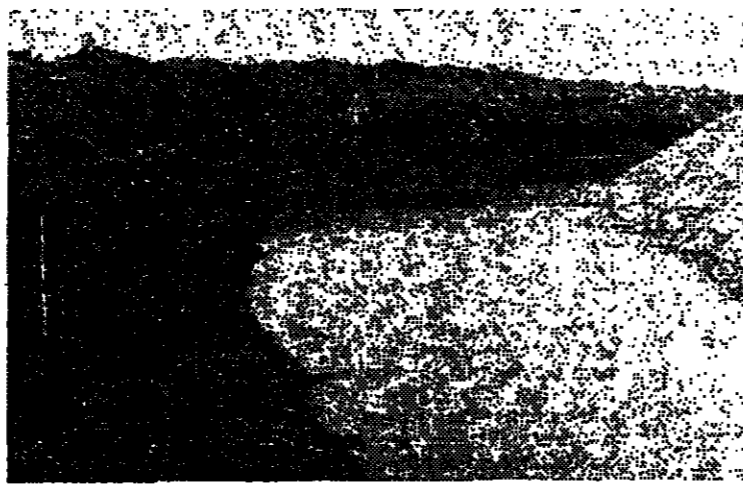
The latest discovery in wet archaeology comes from the other side of the country, from the fens that extend from Peterborough to the Wash. It has always been assumed that the Fens were uninhabited until they were drained by the Romans, but archaeologists have suddenly realised that they were wrong: the alluvium was in fact laid down in the Iron Age and under it there is a Neolithic and Bronze Age landscape, often extremely well preserved. The new theory is that while some of the flooding was caused by the rising sea level, some of it represents an ecological disaster and the finger of suspicion points at that great technical revolution of the early Iron Age, winter ploughing.

Corn grows quicker if it is planted in the early winter and allowed to hibernate, but this winter ploughing - so the theory runs - caused the fertile top soil of Northamptonshire to be washed away and be deposited as alluvium over the nearer parts of the Fens, burying the earlier landscapes. Thus the archaeologists have taken to walking the drainage dykes, following the dredgers and looking for the archaeology three feet below the surface.

Forts at sea

In a recent issue of Current Archaeology Francis Pryor explains how he made his latest discovery, an artificial platform of late Bronze Age at Flag Fen, near Peterborough. Shortly before Christmas, walking a dyke he found timber projecting out

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Bronze Age platform in the side of a drainage ditch

of the side. At first he thought it was a trackway, but when he found that the traces extended for more than 100 metres he realized it must be something more substantial. No pottery was found to date it, but a rushed radiocarbon date from the British Museum came out at 660 bc, so it looks as if it was an artificial platform, probably defensive, set in the open fenland and surrounded by water - at least in winter.

Other sites have also been located. One is a moated site, known as St Pega's Monastery. If it was a monastery, then the good saint must have been able to swim, says Francis Pryor sardonically, for it would have been very wet in the Middle Ages. In fact, Iron Age pottery has been found under the alluvium, and it is clearly an Iron Age hill fort, if indeed one can apply the term "hill fort" to a site that is only two metres above sea level. Some of the sites are even older. At Etton, a Neolithic causewayed camp has been discovered. Unfortunately a gravel quarry is approaching so

archaeologists are desperately excavating what they can before it is swallowed up by the machines, or just as bad, before it is de-watered. As the gravel quarries lower the water level the vital wooden objects will dry out and crumble to dust.

Making tracks

The classic area of wet archaeology is in the Somerset Levels, around Glastonbury. This low lying area has for the past 5,000 years been accumulating the peat with which you fertilize your gardens. In a Neolithic and Bronze Age the growing peatbog was criss-crossed with wooden trackways, and these are constantly being sliced up by the peat cutting machines. Bryony Orme and Professor John Coles have been following these trackways, discovering in the process the oldest trackway in the world, the so-called Sweet Track, built around 4000 BC.

The big surprise has been the high quality of Neolithic carpentry, in particular people at that time

were practising coppicing the deliberate control of woodland in order to produce withies in standardized sizes for the mass-production of wattle on a grand scale. A complete trackway, the Walton track, was discovered built entirely of wattle hurdling. This showed not only their skill in woodworking, but also their expert forestry management. Recently a small museum has been set up at the Willows Garden Centre on the Shapwick-Weslshay road.



Eclipse Track near Meare

Fair deduction

The famous Iron Age lake dwellings at Glastonbury and Meare are much later in date than the trackways, but they present a problem: why on earth should anyone live in such damp conditions? And why were they so wealthy? It is said that more glass beads have been found here than on any other domestic site in southern England. The latest theory is that it was not a permanently occupied village at all, but the site of a temporary summer fair. The remote position of Glastonbury, far away from the centres of power, is precisely where such fairs are often found.

Wheels within

The Prehistoric society recently held a conference on European Wetlands in prehistory, the well-known Alpine lake-villages continue to be explored, with contributions from Italy, France and Switzerland. There was a fascinating account of excavations under the new Zurich opera house, where neolithic and Bronze Age lake dwellings unexpectedly came to light. Prehistoric trackways are also found in north Germany where they seem to specialize in the discovery of wooden wheels that fell off the carts (why have they not found any wheels in Somerset?)

But the most spectacular contribution came from Denmark, which has been tilling since the last ice age, the north-west rising, the south-east falling, and at Tybrind Vig a submerged mesolithic settlement has been discovered under the sea. Here divers found wooden fish hooks with the lines still attached by clove hitches, as well as 15 bows and a complete boat, a dug out canoe made from the trunk of a lime tree and dating to 3500 bc. Their prize consisted of two carved oars representing a new art form of the earliest inhabitants of northern Europe.

As always there is also a political aspect to wet archaeology, on the whole archaeologists are hardened to the destruction of archaeological sites, and are resigned to excavating where they cannot preserve. Yet there is a growing feeling that much of the drainage in the Somerset Levels and in Sedgemoor is not financially viable: the water board having got the bit between its teeth, is draining for the sake of draining, and the cost of the drainage is out of all proportion to the potential agricultural returns. Since the drainage is destroying the archaeology - to say nothing of the wild life - this looks like being the next political "cause" for archaeologists.

Andrew Selkirk

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BOOKS

Word storm

The Death of Virgil by Hermann Broch

translated by Jean Starr Intermeyer (London, £3.95)

Instead of taking Lost Illusions and Daniel Deronda away as usual for your fat read this summer, pack Hermann Broch's astonishing novel of 1945. You will not find it easy - could not claim to do justice to the richness of its argument and inventiveness reading it for the first time - but you will savour its uniqueness and, if you enter The Death of Virgil by an evening you might even get clean away...

Aeneid in a box by his side. Most of the novel unfolds inside the poet's mind, as he questions the nature of existence, perception, love, and art in the last moments of his Virgil-life. He concludes that all art is trivial and that because it can only be destroyed, the human element of creation, the Aeneid must be destroyed. "Nothing unreal will survive". There are other reasons; as art, the poem stands dangerously close to the State that engendered it; if it is published it will make him immortal and he will be unable to die - unable to venture on to the second immensity, to the "word beyond speech".

That words constitute mere trickery is, of course, the nicest paradox of the novel for Broch sets out to prove the poet's case and his journey to the word beyond speech with the only means at his disposal: words. A great showering storm of words piles clause upon clause and sentence upon sentence for more than 400 pages. The eye at first searches vainly for the full stops among the mass of characters and devices of writer's virtuosity - repetition, reversion, contradiction and elaboration. Images of movement, journeying, metamorphosis and transformation and ceaseless change inform the narrative, which is one reason why the reader's eye and mind, far from drowning in the flood, begins to strike out, stay afloat and swim.

Another is that the prose-poetry is so musical in feeling and form that you could almost define the musical tempo of any given paragraph, and those gifted to detect such things, will hear its key. The Death of Virgil is built like a late Romantic symphony in two enormous central movements framed by a dynamic introduction and a coda of consummation as the protagonist finally dies. It displays close affinities not only to the accumulated sound-visions of Mahler, but to the riddles of Nietzsche, the moon-struck landscapes of Max Ernst, the layered horizons of Klee, the voyage from Ireland and the sail towards oblivion in the first and second acts of Tristan and Isolde, the paint-imagery of Gustav Klimt...

Broch was born in Vienna in 1876, which makes him the last contemporary of Joseph Haydn, Franz Schubert, and Richard Wagner, and the first contemporary of Albert Einstein. He was a late adopter of the family textile trade until 1927. Broch then turned to read mathematics, philosophy, and psychology at the University, later settling in the Tirol to write full time. He seems to have been an exceptional man...

Michael Ratcliffe



Royal symbols. Henry, Prince of Wales, not playing billiards but fighting at the barriers, engraved by William Hole, 1612. Elizabeth by Francis Delarum after Hilliard, c. 1617-19. Elizabeth, Electress Palatine, and her son, Frederick Henry, by Hilliard, c. 1615.

Icons and images for propaganda

The English Renaissance Miniature By Roy Strong

(Thames & Hudson, £18)

Art, being notoriously never pure and seldom simple, we should not be surprised that the main practitioners of the miniature in Tudor and early Stuart times emerge from Sir Roy Strong's authoritative study as important political figures, or at least as important tools of politicians. The creation and maintenance of the correct royal image was a major concern in the country at the time: every picture tells a story, and the story the approved images of a rotund but unchallengeable Henry VIII or a beautiful and immortal youthful Elizabeth I told was vital to keeping the political balance. These were icons, with a symbolic significance far beyond themselves, and were approached accordingly by their creators.

Character, private character as conveyed by the face and stance of a sitter, had nothing to do with it - not as long as the employment of leading ministers remained a royal prerogative, if not monopoly. It is very noticeable that in the "show of the book", Artists of the Tudor Court, in which the Victoria and Albert is exhibiting most of the more important examples, the most vivid likenesses tend to be of children (where presumably the image had not yet hardened) and of a succession of "unknown gentlemen". Though inevitably we shall continue to think of the Elizabethan miniature largely in terms of its two great figures, Hilliard and Oliver, Sir Roy has marshalled and defined a couple of important predecessors, Lucas Hornebolte, who helped to drag the miniature out of the margins of manuscripts and into a frame of its own, and Levin Teerlinck, who was in effect Mary II's official limner and seems to have taught Hilliard.

Both of these, like Hilliard himself, were essentially medieval artists, working in a remote provincial tradition. Oliver, who went to Italy in his thirties, was in contrast Britain's first Renaissance artist, and seems extraordinarily precocious as he was, to have caught on to Continental taste and practice long before the firsthand encounter. The clear drawing of this distinction between the equal, rival reputations of Hilliard and Oliver is one of the book's most useful achievements, since it directs our attention, after we have come to understand the political background and all that, back to those aesthetic considerations which are finally no less important than their context. If we understand the implications of these jewel-like images more clearly, we end up looking at the things themselves more sharply: the proper balance is, after all, well held.

John Russell Taylor

Oldest cathedral

Stonehenge Complete By Christopher Chippindale

(Thames & Hudson, £12.95)

Mr Gladstone, when staying with the Bishop of Salisbury, went out after dinner to see Stonehenge and wrote in his diary (31 March 1853) "a noble, and an awful relic, telling much and telling that it conceals more." After the first World War, the Society of Antiquaries of London, asked Colonel Hawley to conduct excavations at Stonehenge to resolve its date and purpose: as Chippindale says, the 1919-26 Hawley excavations were a disaster - Hawley himself said "the more we dig, the more the mystery appears to deepen" (The Times, 5 August 1927).

After the second World War Professors Atkinson and Piggott conducted the first modern scientific excavations, and we still eagerly await the full publication of these remarkable excavations of the 1950s; they are summarized in Atkinson's Stonehenge (a Pelican, first published in 1956, and reprinted in 1979). Chippindale's excellent book deals with the views that people have had about this monument - one of the seven wonders of prehistoric Europe, from its first mention in written records. It claims, as at first sight it might appear, extravagantly, that it includes "everything important, interesting or odd that has been written or painted, discovered or imagined about the most extraordinary ancient building in the world"; but as one reads the book and studies its lavish and beautiful illustrations, the claim seems justified.

It begins with the place of Stonehenge in the medieval romances of King Arthur. Then we see how Tudor historians and antiquaries groped for its origin and purpose and how

Inigo Jones decided it was a masterpiece of Roman architecture, a temple to the god Coelus, probably at the time of Agricola, blending Tuscan with Corinthian. Edmund Bolton, a respected historian and a friend of Jones, declared that it was not the work of the Romans. "The dumbness of it speaks", he declared, "that it was not the work of the Romans. For they were wont to make stones vobiscum by inscriptions. That STONAGE was a work of the Britons, the rudeness of self persuades." He decided that it was the tomb of Bosadice, although most archaeologists these days believe that she is buried under Platform 10 at King's Cross Station.

Bolton and Aubrey and Stukeley were right in dating Stonehenge to prehistoric times and now the Atkinson-Piggott excavations have firmly dated it, this prehistoric cathedral of the Ancient Britons, to the third and fourth millennia BC. Here was a sacred-secular place of assembly built and rebuilt between 3100 and 1100 BC.

Authoritative, clear, well-written, this book is essential reading for all megalith buffs from the serious student of European prehistory to the dotty Druids whom a misguided Whitehall still allows to frolic there at Midsummer sunrise. Chippindale is good on the Druids and on the astronomical interpretation of Stonehenge. Stonehenge has been used as an emblem by all manner of organisations and since the Stonehenge astronomy boom especially in the western USA, Gattipudi includes the logo of the Sarsen Free, Redwood City, California. I treasure the dinner menu of the wagon-restaurant in the Boulogne-Milans TAC of a few weeks ago which has a fine picture of Stonehenge advertising Kronenbourg beer.

Glyn Daniel

Entirely professional

And We Shall Shock Them

The British Army in the Second World War

By David Fraser

(Hodder & Stoughton, £12.95)

It seems only a short while since I was reviewing in these columns Sir David's widely acclaimed official biography of Alan Brooke, yet here is another extraordinarily difficult task encompassed - a survey of the performance of the British Army in every theatre during six years of war. This is a rate of productivity which British shyness might envy! It is enviable, because this is not just a hard job. Page after page discloses the result of a deep, dispassionate weighing up of men and the eminences crises of the Ministry of Defence should put it straight on their reading lists.

We may take as read all that Sir David writes in praise of battles long ago and the men who lost or won them. The most constructively valuable aspect of the book is its refusal to make excuses; its running

commentary on what was wrong with the Army, in too many places for too many years. Why was it that until about halfway through the war we had but a handful of British divisions in contact with the enemy and only one victory, over Italians, to our credit? If the public and the politicians refused to provide enough tools, Sir David rightly reminds us that it was the pre-war amateurism, pervasive throughout the Army, that muddled our operations until Montgomery and Slim imposed their will. Nor is Sir David afraid to point a finger at politicians, criminology, incompetence: his is not an army of angels. But even an open-minded general can suffer from tunnel-vision. It can be argued that an army is as good as its intelligence. Sir David is not expansive about the handling of intelligence within the army itself - by no means always beyond reproach - and though he tips his hat occasionally at Ultra he gives no real impression of the incessant flow of hard information about the enemy that poured from Blenheim

Park to headquarters in the field. He is cool, for example, about Auchinleck's handling of "First Alamein": the effect would be icier if he had pointed out that the Auk was receiving, literally, hundreds of Ultra signals giving him Rommel's strength and intentions. The British Army appears in vacuo in another sense. Considering that its achievements are inconceivable without the Russian killing-ground and the masses of American manpower, Sir David might have examined much more thoroughly the problems for us "rough islanders" of fighting, as against Napoleon and the Kaiser, a coalition war. Still he makes conclusively his central point: "Providence, the extraordinary course of events, and the mistakes of the enemy provided time for the army to make good its mistakes, repair and restart the machine and drive it to ultimate triumph. The men who composed the British Army in the Second World War learned their trade and became entirely professional."

Ronald Lewin

The Complete Baronetage By George Edward Cokayne

(Alan Sutton, £75)

Where would the British historian be without recourse to that authoritative work, The Complete Peerage, originally compiled by G. E. Cokayne? This was reassessed last year in microprint, and now the same publisher has similarly brought out G.E.C.'s other work, The Complete Baronetage. Though six volumes have been compressed into one it may be read without any visual aids. He compiled his Baronetage between 1900 and 1909, only laying his pen aside after dealing with creations of 1800, by which time he had reached his 86th year; but, unlike the Peerage, this work never realised a second edition. With only 206 subscribers, scarcity has made it a virtually forgotten quarry. In 1611 James I instituted the Baronetage for those who paid the equivalent of 30 soldiers' wages for three years in the

colonization of Ulster. Irish baronets followed in 1619, and seven years later Charles I tempted Scotsman parties to take part in a similar scheme in the new world. Terms were offered for Baronetcies of Nova Scotia, together with grants of 16,000 acres apiece. As takers found it impossible to reach their lands, by a legal fiction they took possession on Edinburgh's Castle Hill, conveniently designated a part of Nova Scotia. Grants ceased when in 1632 the province was ceded to France, but these baronets lasted until the Union with England. There are several black borders signifying self-assumed "baronets". A few of these came to grief. As Edinburgh tailor John Blackader (sic), had the temerity to assume the family baronetcy although coming from a bastard branch. In 1737 he was sentenced to have his ear nailed to the post for perjury. Most got away with it, some even being recognized at court or in naval and military gazettes. Editors of Baronetcies, we should have known better, included them with bona fide baronets. A naval architect grandly announced in 1877, "I

hereby make known that I shall hereinafter... be known by the name, rank, style and title of Sir Henry De Burgh-Lawson of Gattipudi Castle, Co. York, given at my Castle of Gattipudi, Co. York. Matters grew so out of hand that G. E. C., in his preface, appealed for an Official Roll to be kept, which eventually took effect. This is maintained by the Home Office and published by the Standing Council of the Baronetage. Among the Baronets' lost privileges was the knighting of his eldest son, which in 1827 George IV withdrew from later patents. This was last exercised in 1874 when Queen Victoria knighted Ludlow Corter at Windsor on his coming of age. The final blow came when Harold Wilson and his Conservative successor failed to recommend any hereditary honours. Now that Mrs Thatcher has again set the wheels in motion, perhaps she will browse through The Complete Baronetage and restore this ancient honour to the active list.

Patrick Montague-Smith

Fiction Play the old malarkey again, Sam

oute Carlo by Stephen Sheppard (London, £3.50) Any Price by Ted Albury (London, £3.95)

Prizes for identifying the cover of the month at your local bookstore. It is of the Poulndur Pulp, with attention focused on the book counter. But hard-bitten publishers too like to jog the rear of the annual prize at the Lowest Common Denominator. If only to get ideas where next year's prize going to come from, the sales of Stephen Sheppard's new period thriller for

With JAWS, he made the sea a place of terror... Now, in an exhilarating fable, he brings to life the magic and the mystery of the sea

PETER BENCHLEY The Girl Of The Sea Of Cortez

NOW IN CORGI PAPERBACK

English ladies, a retired gentleman-burglar, and a beautiful Russian cabaret singer. All turn out to be spies, naturally. The local police chief is secretary sympathetic, the resident Gestapo major overly not so. Homosexual cocktail pianists are not to be trusted, while barmen and rich playboys can of course be relied upon to come good when the caviare finally hits the fan. It does so when the phoney war gives way to the real thing, and Harry Pilikian arrives at his Rubicon when the USA enters the fray. The transition from Scott Fitzgerald to Alastair Maclean gives Mr Sheppard a few bumpy moments. Several characters that have been shaping up quite nicely find themselves dumped unceremoniously on the fringes of the action. But he writes clearly, and obviously relishes the period he's describing. No doubt detractors will point out that the plot of Monte Carlo has been lifted, lock and stock if not actually barrel, from the film Casablanca. But then Stephen Sheppard, a former National Theatre actor, can retort that even the Bard was not above reworking other chaps' scenarios when it suited him. And besides, Sam was always being asked to play it again.

There's a distinct sensation of déjà vu about Ted Albury's new book, too. But it comes from reading the newspapers rather than other spy thrillers. The hero of Pay Any Price, SIS officer James Boyd, is one of those cloak and dagger merchants whose sense of decency is offended once too often by the warped utilitarianism of his masters. He uncovers incontrovertible evidence not only that the Kennedy assassinations were the work of an unholy alliance between the CIA and the Mafia, but that the mindbending techniques used to unbind Lee Harvey Oswald

John Nicholson

Crime Ferreting for mole

Ferret By George Markstein (Hodder & Stoughton, £7.95)

Espionage is real, besides being the stuff of a certain intriguing sort of fiction. Indeed, some spying is so real and so secret, we are told in the blurb to this book, that it can be spoken of only if it is persuaded that it is pure fiction. Or, as one of the characters casually remarks, "there are things people mustn't know." It is only when such things impinge momentarily on some ordinary life, as they are shown plausibly doing in the early pages here, that we, John Public, get the smallest hint. And that, Markstein says convincingly, is quickly enough muffled, as when his innocent country G.P. looks after a mysterious, shocked man and can get no explanations of any sort from anyone.

But Markstein's book by no means confines itself to the doctor's story. He pounces here, there, and everywhere. Highest Moscow, deepest Washington, all sorts of secret places, some well-known ones, and out of them emerges the "ferret" aircraft both East and West apparently use to spy on each other against all international law, as well as a "ferret" agent put into a situation where the presence in the dark of, not a rabbit, but a mole is suspected. It is a good story, well told: One feels indeed, that one is swimming in seas of deception, where both the killings and the matings are promiscuous. The people Markstein writes about are made to come to life. But their fears and loves are temporary only. None relates to any of the others. A theme is not created out of those reflections and oppositions and similarities that the novelist employs, that espionage novelists like Len Deighton and Le

Carré employ along with the delightful jargon and hinted-at inner knowledge. So is Markstein's book of a lower order? It depends what you expect. If you are content to see fiction used to expose (a little) the real secrets of the real world, fine. If you hope that fiction will expose the secrets of the heart, some disappointment. Death Wishes, by Philip Lorraine (Collins, £6.75). Where there's a Will there's a guess and guess again story. Excellent Provence descriptions; mildly manipulated characters (but otherwise where would the surprise be?). A Party to Murder, by Michael Underwood (Macmillan, £6.50). Inside provincial Prosecuting Solicitor's office. A blunt instrument is used, but the writing is always nicely sharp. You learn, puzzle, enjoy. The Leader and the Damned, by Colin Forbes (Collins, £8.95). Here's 478 gobalpus pages with ingeniously intermeshing double plot set in Berchtesgaden and all Europe, 1943, plus mingled dashes of fact. The Shaft, by Paul Chevalier (Hodder & Stoughton, £7.95). One for pillow wench. Monster treasure hunt off Nova Scotia, tough men, beautiful (and quick to embrace) girl, technical terms a-gogo. Strained Relations, by Alison Cairns (Collins, £6.75). First book of promise tells of can-of-worms Cornwall where few are what they seem. Nicely gossipy, if straining belief occasionally. Nobody Cared for Kate, by Gene Thompson (Gollancz, £9.95). Attractive American lawyer caught up in locked-barge mystery on Canal du Midi. Allis and motives galore. School-of-Seyers lives. H. R. F. Keating

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THE TIMES DIARY

Anyone for Tom?

Though it is a month since Michael Foot's chief of staff, Sir Tom McCaffrey, intimated that he would not want to continue under Labour's new leader...

Out of touch

The Falkland Islands have been cut off. No, not in the south Atlantic but right here in London where the Falkland Islands Office finds itself without telephone and Telex after moving from Great Smith Street...

Attractions at the Barbican Centre's family festival are to include 'novelties such as a giant inflatable maze'. At the Barbican, I should hardly have thought that was necessary.

Pirate gold

Louis Baum, editor of The BookSeller, has just written a book well-judged, as one would expect, to catch the interest of the trade. It is called Jim and the Pirates...

BARRY FANTONI



Apparently you buy them in bunches

Reader's digest

Colin Luke of Regent's Park Road, NW1, tells me his pregnant wife has taken to devouring newspapers. She takes The Standard tastes foul. The Guardian is too dry. The Sunday Times too moist...

Barbed bouquet

The lingering odour of Drakkar Noir by Guy Laroche has claimed another victim. The after-shave was launched with impregnated cards inserted in the Observer Magazine of the Sunday before last...

A word for it

A brochure from the Greek Tourist Office describing a holiday complex on the island of Evia, has this enticing passage: 'Our 640 beds are lovingly facilitated, and in the style of hotel and bungalow...'

I heard that the Swiss watch and cuckoo-clock industry had taken a knock, but I did not know for what reason. A press release from the Swiss Hotels of Switzerland...

LT: In line for another failure

By Jim Daly

The latest proposals for the reorganization of London Transport are sadly disappointing. They smack of yet another round of ideological experimentation - this time the magic formula is splitting the bus services from the Underground and privatizing the fringe areas such as cleaning and a range of supplies...

and integration of British Rail suburban services with the Underground, whose predominant operation is on the north side of the Thames. It also ignored the fact that local government finance is simply not geared to running a revenue service of the scale of LT. It was inevitable that one day the GLC would become a transport business with a local authority attached...

system modelled on the successful operations of larger conurbations in western Europe, notably Paris, Munich and Hamburg. The objective shall be to provide high quality, reliable and cheap transportation, giving access to the whole population and especially in the densely packed centres, relief from traffic congestion...

Roger Boyes on Polish expectations after the lifting of martial law



Jaruzelski announcing the end of martial law. Much will depend on whether he can convince Poles that what follows is 'liberalization'

Now for Jaruzelski's real test

Warsaw Readers of entrails and students of paradox were intrigued to learn that only weeks after meeting Pope John Paul, General Wojciech Jaruzelski received the Soviet Order of Lenin, one of the top awards for services to socialism. Papal handshakes have produced many near-miracles - the lame have become strong, weak men a Russian medal...

remained silent. This was understood to be a vote against it. But it is the Gomulka of 1956 who is respected as a model by those who surround Jaruzelski, many of whom came to political maturity during that period. They remember Gomulka's 'Polish road to socialism', his ending of police terror, his (albeit brief) flirtation with economic reform...

demands on the system have risen rapidly, thanks to Solidarity. Thus the Jaruzelski leadership believes it is fostering 'relative freedom' in cultural life - but many artists and writers see only that the government is trying to tighten censorship, to impose an actively pro-socialist ethic on art and undermine standards of excellence...

government promise to liberalize passport policy, allowing Poles to travel abroad as in the Solidarity era? The civil legislation passed recently as an alternative to martial law contains the potential for further repression - but much depends on its implementation, for the laws need not be applied in their full rigour...



Winds of change in Poland: Jaruzelski faces higher expectations, prompted by Solidarity and the Pope. This cartoon is from the Frankfurt Allgemeine last month

Much ado about Naffing

New words for old/Philip Howard

arrested, all gave their names as 'Wally', so vexing the courts. According to students of the new use, every family has a wally or naff in it. In the Thatcher family, the somewhat 'uncharitable' example given is that Mark is the Naff...

hand of two greasy cards, followed by one greasy card, followed finally by two more. Naff has been long slang for 'nothing' since circa 1940. Folk etymologists have suggested its derivation as from rien a faire, or Not a F. The latter is the more probable, yet far from a certainty...

Ronald Butt

When is a cut not a cut?

The argument over public spending presents the Government with a major problem of public relations. Its achievement in bringing down inflation from nearly 22 per cent to 3.7 per cent can hardly be overstated. The first signs of a consequential and lasting recovery are already manifest. Yet this recovery remains under threat from rising public expenditure, both immediately and in the longer term...

ential between means-tested unemployment benefit and low wages acts as a work disincentive? Or are those right (I think they are) who say that although this is true in many cases, there are many more where work is wholly unobtainable, and where to cut the real value of unemployment benefit would cause hardship and political resentment? Those who believe the latter would much prefer the unemployment trap to be dealt with solely by raising the tax threshold - but there is a very serious doubt whether that is going to be possible...

Paul Pickering

Rats on the line? Try calling Hamelin

While I was talking to a favourite aunt who was about to give me two rather special Chinese figures there was suddenly an ominous click on the telephone line and no sound. 'It's rude to play with the phone, don't do it', the formidable lady said when I was reconnected. Click, buzz and she was gone again; so too for the moment was the precious porcelain...

Before ringing the chief Telecom Mckon himself at the centre of the electronic empire I decided to get a more opinion on whether mere rodents could beat the system. Mr Eric Jukes of the London and Southern Counties Mouse and Rat Club is an expert. 'Fancy rats are really my speciality but you cannot help being interested in them all', this local government officer said modestly...





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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 27: Her Excellency Mrs Danielle de St Jorre was received in audience by the Queen and presented by her Letters of Commission as High Commissioner for the Republic of Seychelles in London.

Her Excellency was accompanied by the following member of the High Commission, who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Mr R. F. Dalpech (Counsellor).

Sir Antony Acland (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the honour of being received by the Queen was presented to Her Majesty by Mr R. F. Dalpech (Counsellor).

Mr J. C. Moberly (Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Baghdad) and Mrs Moberly had the honour of being received by the Queen.

The Queen held a Council at 12.40pm.

There were present the Viscount Whitehall (Lord President), the Lord Denham (Captain of the Gentlemen-at-Arms), the Right Hon Sir Keith Joseph MP (Secretary of State for Education and Science) and the Right Hon Norman Fowler, MP (Secretary of State for Social Services).

Mr James Molyneux, MP, was sworn in a member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

Sir Neville Leigh was in attendance as Clerk of the Council.

The Viscount Whitehall had an

audience of The Queen before the Council.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave an Afternoon Party in the Garden of Buckingham Palace.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester and The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were present.

Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms and the Queen's Bodyguard of the Yeomen of the Guard were on duty.

The Bands of the Grenadier Guards and the Royal Tank Regiment (Cambrai) played selections of music during the afternoon.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 27: The Duke of Gloucester this evening presented awards to Australian Science Scholars at the Royal Institution, Albemarle Street, London.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, National Association for Gifted Children, this morning visited Explorers Unlimited Residential Centre at Parkwood Haugh School, Nr Stroud, Wiltshire.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Mrs Michael Wigley was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 27: The Duke of Kent, President of the Scout Association, today attended the Norfolk International Jamboree Camp at the Royal Norfolk Showground, Norwich.

Sir Richard Buckley was in attendance.

Princess Anne, Commandant-in-Chief, St John Ambulance and Nursing Cadets, will visit the St John Cadet Camp at Glanusk Park, Powys, on August 1 as arranged.

Princess Anne, patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, will visit the Mory group at Drumbain, Rothes, Morayshire, on September 20 and later the Cairness group at Falkirk, Calthness.

Princess Anne, patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, will visit the Chelsea group in the Royal Mews, London, on September 29.

Princess Anne, patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, will attend the gala night of the Horse of the Year Show, in aid of the British International Equestrian Fund, at Wembley, on October 3.

The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, Richard III Society, will visit Gloucester to attend the 500th anniversary celebrations to mark the granting of Charter of Incorporation to the City of Gloucester by King Richard III on September 2.

The Duke of Gloucester will carry out engagements in Falkirk, Scotland, on September 5.

The Duchess of Gloucester as Patron will open the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics Congress 1983 at Imperial College of Science and Technology, London, on September 5.

The Duchess of Gloucester will open the International Congress of Maxillo-Facial Prosthetics and Technology at Royal College of Surgeons, London, on September 6.

The Duke of Gloucester will open British Tourist Authority "Heritage '84" conference and present Heritage awards 1983 at Christ Church, Oxford, on September 14.

Dr F. J. Strickland and Dr C. J. Rose

The marriage took place on July 23 at Walpole St Peter, Norfolk, between Dr F. J. Strickland, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. A. S. Strickland, of Thorpe St Andrew, and Dr C. J. Rose, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Cecil Rose, of Walpole St Andrew, Canon E. J. Hoskin, uncle of the bridegroom, officiated. Flight Lieutenant John Leech was best man.

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Dr T. Wilson and Miss C. Wilson

The marriage took place on Saturday, July 23, in the chapel of Brasenose College, Oxford, between Dr Tony Wilson, of Oxford, son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Wilson, of Walsall, and Miss Catherine Wilson, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Human Wilson II, of Fort Worth, Texas.

The Rev Jeffrey Philip Hynd John, Chaplain of Brasenose College, officiated.

The bride was attended by seven first cousins, her sister-in-law and Mrs Katherine Bailey Gloucester, of Orlando, Florida, who was matron of honour. Miss Georgia Ann Guenzel, of San Antonio, Texas, was maid of honour and the Rev James Harold Bell, Rector of Northolt, was best man.

A reception was held in Brasenose College Hall.

Southall, diocese of London by the Vicar of St Leonard, Southall, some diocese.

Resignation
The Rev W. Davidson, Vicar of St Stephen with St John, Rochester, has resigned from the benefice on July 31.

Withdrawal of acceptance
Canon J. H. Davidson has withdrawn his acceptance of the living of St Helen, Farley, diocese of Chester.

Church news

Appointments
The Rev A. W. Penn, Vicar and Priest in Charge of St Andrew, St Leonards-on-Sea, diocese of Exeter, has been appointed to the living of St Andrew, Southalton, diocese of Exeter.

The Rev G. H. P. Pinner, Priest in Charge of St Andrew, Southalton, diocese of Exeter, has been appointed to the living of St Andrew, Southalton, diocese of Exeter.

The Rev P. R. Turp, Curate of St John, has been appointed to the living of St John, Southalton, diocese of Exeter.

Science report

Mollusc reveals growth secrets

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

It took three to four months to build a chamber, but as the new compartments grew bigger the time between constructing them increased. The chambers are partially filled with liquid, but the scientists found that by some unexplained means the nautilus can lower the level of liquid in the most recently built chamber. When the level falls below a tiny tube connecting the chambers, it seems to be a signal for a new partition to be built.

Another discovery about molluscs by Dr Ross Ellington, of Florida State University, could be of help to scientists who are trying to improve treatments for heart failure in humans.

Dr Ellington has studied the tiny muscular structure in clams and some species of snails, which controls the flow of blood through the organisms. The structure is a bit primitive to make direct comparisons with the multiple chambers of the human heart.

The interesting aspect to the physiologist is that the muscular structure in the clam can function for longer periods of



Lord King of Wartnaby (right) on his way to being introduced to the House of Lords on Tuesday by Lord Manton (back left) and Lord Grimthorpe (back right). Sir Colin Cole, Garter King of Arms, is on the left.

Birthdays today

Dame Joyce Bigham, 87; Mr William C. 67; the Earl of Cromer, 65; Sir Horace Currier, 71; Mr Kenneth Durham, 59; Sir Peter Green, 59; Mr R. B. Henderson, 54; Sir Maurice Holmes, 72; Lord Murray of Newhaven, 50; Dame Rosemary Murray, 70; Mr Riccardo Mudi, 42; Sir Humphrey Myrnes, 80; Sir Roger Myrnes, 80; Professor Sir Karl Popper, 74, 81; Sir Reginald Second, 61; Sir Gary Soobers, 47.

Luncheon

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister and Mr Denis Thatcher were hosts at a luncheon given at 10 Downing Street yesterday in honour of M. Felix Hymonnet-Botigny, President of the Ivory Coast. The other guests were: Sir Kenneth Robinson, Secretary of State for Africa; Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; Sir Ian Gledhill, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland; Sir John Gummer, Secretary of State for Wales; Sir Kenneth Robinson, Secretary of State for Africa; Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; Sir Ian Gledhill, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland; Sir John Gummer, Secretary of State for Wales.

Latest appointments

Mr Tom Lloyd, aged 37, former deputy editor of *Financial Weekly*, to be editor of the newspaper in succession to Mr Ray Heath.

Latest wills

Miss Ethel Irene Nancy Bradshaw, of Chesham, Bucks, died on July 14, 1982, leaving an estate valued at £169,960 net. After bequests and effects she left the residue to the Royal College of Music, London, for student scholarships.

Sir Ronald Ernest Gernsey, of Eastbourne, Director-General of the Post Office, 1960-66, left £76,900 net.

Other estates include (net before tax):
Ashley, Mrs Freda, of Whitechurch, Shropshire, £214,473
Constat, Miss Joan, of Sevenoaks, £681,974
Lawcock, Mr Charles Edward, of Linton in Craven, North Yorkshire, intestate, will be only £73,617
Mearns, Mr William Kenneth, of Woodhorpe, Nottingham, £240,594

Receptions

Arbitrators' Company
The Arbitrators' Company held its annual service at St Mary-le-Bow, Chancery Lane, yesterday. Canon Gerald Hudson officiated. The Dean of Westminster gave an address and the lesson was read by the Master, Mr Clifford Clarke. Afterwards, the Master and Wardens held a

University news

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Appointments
The Rev R. P. Robinson, BA (Canon), Secretary of the University of York, has been appointed to the living of St Andrew, Southalton, diocese of Exeter, on August 1. Mr J. H. Pinner, Priest in Charge of St Andrew, Southalton, diocese of Exeter, has been appointed to the living of St Andrew, Southalton, diocese of Exeter, on August 1. The Rev P. R. Turp, Curate of St John, has been appointed to the living of St John, Southalton, diocese of Exeter, on August 1.

OBITUARY

DR R. O. GIBSON Co-discoverer of polythene

Dr. Ronald Oswald Gibson, who died on July 22 at the age of 80, was the co-discoverer with E. W. Fawcett just 50 years ago of polythene (or polyethylene as it is now generally known in the industry). Life today for the housewife, the gardener, manufacturer of food, clothes, detergents and almost all retail goods, the electrical and electronics industries, the building industry - indeed for almost everyone - would be unthinkable without polyethylene which is currently produced throughout the world on the scale of some 20 million tons a year.

After taking an honours degree in chemistry at University College London, Gibson did some research work under Professor F. G. Donnan who recommended him in 1924 for a research assistantship at Leyden University under Kamerlingh Onnes, Professor of Experimental Physics. Gibson had to get a loan (£25 from the Institute of Chemistry) to take the post; he stayed until 1926 when he joined Brunner, Mond & Co. which became part of the new company, Imperial Chemical Industries, in 1927.

While at Leyden he met and became friendly with Dr Anton Michels who was studying the properties of gases at high pressures in the Thermodynamics Laboratory at Amsterdam. It was through this friendship that Michels came to develop high pressure apparatus for ICI, and the ICI research management conceived the idea that at pressures of several thousand atmospheres reactions might occur that did not happen otherwise.

It was a great act of faith by ICI in the depths of the World Depression and facing the collapse of their heavy chemicals business, to embark in 1931 on this speculative research. Gibson was the chemist allo-

... came to this project, which for two years produced nothing of commercial interest.

... However, on March 24, 1933, by which time he had been joined by E. W. Fawcett, they carried out an experiment trying to react ethylene with benzaldehyde under 1900 atmospheres pressure. They did not succeed, but when they opened up the pressure vessel they found about half a gram of a "waxy solid". That was the first polyethylene ever made.

... After many setbacks, delays and frustrations, the ICI team developed a unique high pressure manufacturing process which came into production in 1939, just in time to enable radar to play its decisive role in the air defence of Great Britain.

In the words of Sir Robert Watson-Watt: "The availability of polythene transformed the design, production, installation and maintenance problems of radar from the almost insoluble to the comfortably manageable."

... By that time Gibson had moved into other research fields, working on the production of "anti-knock" additives for aviation fuel, and in 1948 he left ICI and joined the Associated Ocel Company. He founded and managed their Research Department, and became Technical Director.

After his retirement in 1963 he continued to play an active part in professional affairs for some years. He was able to be present at, and enjoy, the Polyethylenes Jubilee Conference in London in June this year.

The original 'Hoot' Gibson had been a character in the Wild West films of the 1920s, and so naturally R. O. Gibson became "Hoot" and had been known as such with affection by all his friends ever since.

He is survived by his two sons, Ronald and John, and daughter Shena.

SIR HAROLD WHITTINGHAM

R.S. writes:
May I add to your obituary of Air Marshal Sir Harold Whittingham.

After retiring from the RAF, Sir Harold ("George") to his family and his many friends) joined British Overseas Airways (BOAC) in 1948 as Director of Medical Services. It is not generally recognized what an important part the medical branch played in the building-up of a long-haul international airline. With his counterparts in other pioneering trans-global airlines such as Pan American, KLM, Air France and Quantas, George Whittingham led the way in safeguarding the health of passengers, aircrew and airline staff around the world.

In the early days of regular world-wide passenger flights after the second world war, the hygiene and sanitary arrangements both on the ground and in the aircraft were primitive indeed. Safe water supplies had to be ensured, which involved designing and introducing equipment such as special metal filters and water bowlers at all stations used by BOAC; hygienic toilet arrangements had to be provided there too, as well as on aircraft. In addition, arrangements had to be made for the supply of salt meals to passengers and aircrew all along the routes, including the development of pre-cooked deep-frozen foods.

All cabin staff, stewards and stewardesses had to be given practical instruction on hygiene and sanitation in aircraft, on how to check the purity of water supplies on board, and on the care of any who might fall sick.

More positively, special facilities for the transport of invalids by air were devised; within a few years, the number of invalids carried annually rose from about 50 to the outset to some 3,000.

At all stations used by BOAC arrangements had to be made for the medical care and treatment of passengers and crew in transit, as well as locally-based and visiting UK staff. To ensure this, George Whittingham and his team had to visit each station regularly to ascertain at first hand the best medical facilities available locally, and to maintain a liaison with the doctors and nurses concerned.

He also regularly inspected accommodation provided for aircrew stopping off to rest and wait for the next flight. Close contact was maintained too with the World Health Organisation and with IATA to ensure that the medical requirements for airlines were kept as up to date as practical.

In addition, George Whittingham was one of the first to arrive at the scene of an aircraft crash in which there was injury or death. This was not only to care for the injured but also, in his capacity as a member of BOAC's Air Safety Committee, to help in establishing whether the cause of the accident was human error or technical failure.

All of us who now travel along the air routes of the world with such apparent ease and immunity owe much to the pioneering work of George Whittingham and his colleagues.

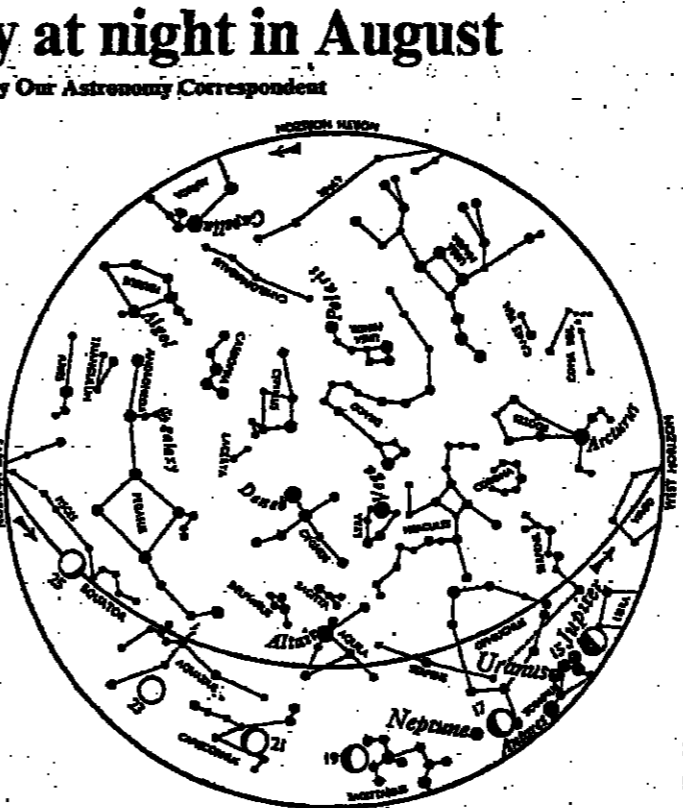
HESTER BOOTHROYD

Lord Crobham writes:
Hester Boothroyd, who died on July 7 after a short and painful illness, was not only one of the few women who attained the rank of Under Secretary in the Treasury, she was also a specialist statistician who yet succeeded as a general administrator. She had a cool analytical mind, allied with an even temper and fair-mindedness.

She was popular with colleagues and much loved by a wide circle of friends, her husband and her two daughters. Her career was not achieved at the expense of her family; when her children were young she considered it proper to work part-time only.

Her last years were somewhat clouded by the prolonged investigation into the affairs of the Crown Agents and by the untimely death of her elder daughter. But they were equally enhanced and brightened by her grandchildren, her music, her garden and by the steadfast love and support of her husband, Francis.

She undertook with pleasure a number of voluntary offices, including those of Honorary Treasurer to the Aldeburgh Festival, and Associate Fellow of Newnham College, Cambridge.



Mercury will reach maximum evening elongation (27°) on the 19 but will be very low and rather faint. Venus is still a bright object but it is drawing towards the Sun; on the 1st altitude will be only 5°, almost due west, and it is unlikely to be seen after sunset except for the first few days. Inferior conjunction will be on the 25th.

Mars is a morning star rising about two hours before the Sun. Moon first rises on the 15th.

Jupiter is still noticeable in the west, but it is getting low and will set about two hours after the Sun. Moon approaching it on the 15th.

Saturn, being nearly three magnitudes less bright than Jupiter, is becoming lost in the sunset glow although still above the horizon for some time after sunset.

Uranus will also be getting difficult to locate and Neptune will be setting at about midnight.

The Moon: last quarter, 2401h; new, 8d19h; first quarter, 15d13h; full, 23d15h; last quarter, 31d11h.

The variable star Algol is once more becoming observable before midnight and can be found on our map. Its variability is due to the fact that it is a close binary star, where the fainter component eclipses the brighter at intervals of 69 hours. The magnitude ranges on from 2.2 to 3.2 and the whole eclipse from full brightness to full again takes about ten hours. Approximate times of evening minima this month are just after midnight on the 8th, 11d21h and 31d22h.

The August meteors are known as the Perseids because the radiant from which they appear to diverge is in the northern part of that constellation. The stream of meteoroids, as the particles are called, is travelling more or less parallel with but opposite in direction to the motion of the Earth, so they are encountered for several weeks, from July 20 to August 20 approximately. The maximum is expected on our night 12h-13h, more after midnight than before it. Do not concentrate your attention on the radiant; the meteors are equally to be some way from it by the time they reach their brightest.

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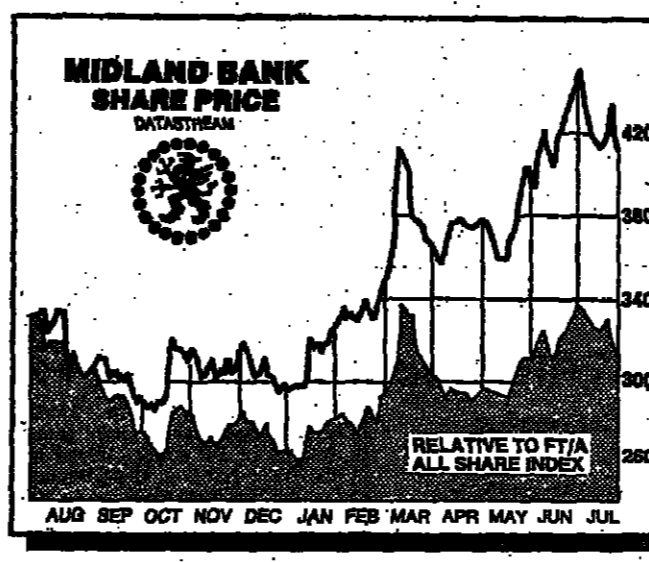
NOTEBOOK

Shares are being sold by Government again... Shares bought by the previous sale have appreciated in real terms

Move will bolster capital base and expansion

Midland launches £155m rights issue as second-half profits jump 43%

By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent... Midland Bank took advantage of better-than-expected half-year results to launch a £155m rights issue yesterday.



MIDLAND BANK SHARE PRICE... RELATIVE TO FT10 ALL SHARE INDEX

Midland echoed the optimism of NatWest that had debts could now be on a downward trend... Group profits included £16.4m from sales of gifts compared with a £800,000 loss in the first half of 1982.

Central America to appeal for aid

From Bailey Morris, Washington... Finance ministers of 15 Central American nations, while carefully avoiding a response to the political initiatives of the United States, have announced plans to hold a high-level meeting in Europe to appeal for external economic help to avoid further social strife in their countries.

GKN bids £51m for AE

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent... Guest Keen & Nettlefolds, the biggest company in Britain's depressed engineering sector, has made a £51m offer for AE, formerly Associated Engineering and a big force in the car components business.

Closure programme confirmed by NCB

By David Young... The National Coal Board yesterday confirmed that it is technically insolvent and that a programme of pit closure will be introduced by Mr Ian MacGregor, the incoming chairman.

Invisibles are vital to UK

Britain is the world's biggest net exporter of specialist services, which include the overseas earnings of the City of London, and ranks second only to the United States for private sector services overall.

Shares surge past record

New York (AP-Dow Jones) - Stocks held strong gains yesterday after pushing through the record closing high, although some of the high technology issues were weak.

Treasury rules out public funding Go-ahead for freeport experiment

By John Lawless... The Treasury yesterday gave the expected go-ahead for freeports but told the numerous applicants seeking approval that the strictest criteria would apply.

THE BRITISH & COMMONWEALTH SHIPPING COMPANY PLC



At the Annual General Meeting on July 27th the Chairman, Lord Cayzer, made the following remarks which are supplementary to his statement which accompanied the Accounts: The results for the past year speak for themselves and it is the sum of the assorted activities that make up the whole. Let me mention a few.

City Editor's Comment

No way to enter the 21st century

The deal stitched up between the Government and the Stock Exchange will disappoint a lot of people other than the pension funds and insurance companies it was designed to accommodate, but who must now wait up to three years for the benefit.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Table with 3 columns: Year ended 31st December, 1982, 1981. Rows include Profit before taxation, Profit before extraordinary items, Shareholders' funds, Earnings per ordinary stock unit of 50p, Dividends per ordinary stock unit of 50p (net).

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THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA. The Ministry wishes to appoint a consultancy firm to undertake the development, implementation and initial operation of a Maintenance Management System for the (approximately) 30,000 km of paved highways...

MARLING INDUSTRIES plc Manufacturers of Industrial Textiles. Unaudited results for the year ended 31 March 1983. Turnover: 28,074 (1982) 22,168. Pre-Tax profit: 575 (1982) 1,577.

INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK ("IADB"). \$75,000,000 12 1/4% Loan Stock 2003 (the "Stock"). Notice of Purchase of the Stock for Cancellation. Pursuant to Clause 2(b) of the Purchase Agency Agreement...

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA. The Ministry wishes to appoint a consultancy firm to undertake the development, implementation and initial operation of a Project Management System for its highway projects...

'A CREDITABLE PERFORMANCE UNDER VERY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES'. Extract from the Statement by the Rt. Hon. Lord Robens of Woldingham PC DCL LLD, Chairman of Johnson Matthey, to the Annual General Meeting on 27th July 1983.

In spite of 3 years of recession which has been the worst, certainly in the UK, for 50 years, I am pleased to report that this has been a year of heavy investment by the group for the future and one where the trading results represent a credible performance under very difficult circumstances. Outstanding performances: Although trading conditions were difficult, there were outstanding performances by some of our companies - by Johnson Matthey Bankers Limited and its subsidiaries in New York and Hong Kong...

The year's operations: The Banking Group finished the year with another record profit which was 46 per cent better than last year. Although engineering industries suffered badly from the general recession, our Metals Division's profits were significantly better than last year due largely to the benefits resulting from the restructuring of Johnson Matthey Metals Limited. The Chemicals and Refining Division made a slow start but had a reasonable year, albeit with profits down on the previous year. Because of depressed ceramic and other industries, the demand for the products of our Colours Division and Printing Division was slack and both divisions produced lower results than last year, although there were some bright spots.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS for the year ended 31st March 1983. Total Sales: \$1044.8 million. Group Profit Before Tax: \$38.0 million. Group Profit After Tax: \$32.6 million. Ordinary Share Dividend: \$13.3 million. Retained Profit: \$21.2 million. Capital Employed: \$437.5 million.

Group results: The group pre-tax profit, including our share of the profits of associated companies, is \$38 million. The after-tax profit attributable to shareholders is \$34.5 million. A final dividend of 7 pence per share, making a total dividend for the year of 10 pence per share, the same as last year, will be paid.

With some signs now of improvement in the economy, we feel a little more optimistic about the outlook for next year and beyond, and we are in a strong position to take full advantage of the anticipated upturn in world trade.

JM Logo. Copies of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts are available from the Company Secretary. Johnson Matthey Public Limited Company, 100 High Street, Southgate, London N14 6ET, England.

INVESTORS' NOTEBOOK Edited by Michael Priest

Why BP still looks a tempting buy

Investors who bought BP shares the last time the Government unloaded some of its holdings and hung on to them are little better off today than they were then. The shares were sold at 36p in the autumn of 1979. Today they stand at just under 4p, admittedly after what has been an extremely lively four-year ride.



Benjamin Priest. Moreover, business is probably gathering pace. After the reorganization of drop-forgings into a single factory Priest is one of the biggest companies in the industry. Yet with gearing steady at 68 per cent, earnings improving and west coast businesses on a better footing, it is a dangerous period for Priest.

Even allowing for the rights issue two years ago, there has been precious little in the way of real capital appreciation in nominal terms: the gain is about 25 per cent. In the meantime, both BP and the oil business generally have been turned upside down by the abrupt switch from oil crisis to today's oil glut. Nevertheless, there seems little doubt that the latest tranche of BP stock offered by Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, will be well received in the market when it comes, probably in the early autumn. For all its well-documented problems, BP still looks a much more attractive prospect than (say) the British Gas portfolio of proven North Sea oil investments.

But at this early stage, BP looks a better buy than it did in 1979. A new collapse in the price of oil cannot be ruled out, despite all the confident noises being made by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and the oil companies. But this downside risk is balanced - the way things look at the moment, anyway - by the longer-term potential of BP's exploration prospects in offshore China and Alaska.

Components for the car industry - which account for about 30 per cent of turnover - suffered from stiff competition and low margins, building products and material handling both geared to the capital spending cycle were hard-pressed. But the full year figures also indicate that the underlying trend is improving. Priest reported a first half pre-tax loss of £324,000, and the second half loss includes redundancy costs of £207,000.

Gearing ratios. On the subject of takeovers, it is a telling point that the gearing of British companies is just about at its lowest ever. After the horror stories about high interest rates and the need to borrow during the recession, this might seem surprising. But the average percentage of net debt to net worth for industrial companies was just 25.1 per cent at the end of 1981, according to figures from House of Commons. The comparable figure for the end of this year is forecast at 23.3 per cent.

COMMODITIES

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE. Official transfer listing. Base in pounds per metric ton unless stated otherwise. COPPER: 119.00-120.00. ZINC: 111.00-112.00. LEAD: 108.00-109.00.

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Large table of commodity prices and debenture listings. Includes sections for LONDON METAL EXCHANGE, LONDON COMMODITY PRICES, RUBBER, SUGAR, COFFEE, and LONDON INTERNATIONAL FINANCE. The debenture section lists various companies and their financial details.

Base Lending Rates. ABN Bank 9 1/2%, Barclays 9 1/2%, BCCI 9 1/2%, Consolidated Crds 9 1/2%, C. Hoare & Co 9 1/2%, Lloyds Bank 9 1/2%, Midland Bank 9 1/2%, Nat Westminster 9 1/2%, TSB 9 1/2%, Williams & Glyn's 9 1/2%.

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Marketing and advertising: Torin Douglas

Why a precarious local radio needs a healthy capital

The battle for the plum contract for the Independent Local Radio network, at present held by Capital Radio, is likely to be decided as much by the needs of the radio stations and the national well-being of the local radio system as it is by the needs of the Londoners the station will serve.

Ten years after the launch of the local radio network and with 40 stations on air, the London General and Entertainment contractor still dominates the network, accounting for a sizable of radio revenue and providing, through its primary and secondary rental payments to the IBA, a large slice of the total funding on which the station depends.

Such financial facts of life would seem to favour Capital's needs of retaining its contract, all these concerns organized the Independent Broadcasters' Authority, whether in division or in radio, the incumbent starts off favourite, has a track record, whereas challengers can only offer promises. And the local radio item's need for a strong central station means that there is more at stake than the mere question of whether London is

getting the best possible programme service.

Radio is by no means a licence to print money. Last year, a third of the 34 stations made losses, despite a 20 per cent increase in the network's advertising revenue, while a further four made less than £10,000 profit. Though some of these losses came from new stations and other stations did well, the precarious nature of the radio business, which has seen 16 station managing directors change jobs in the last 12 months, most of them involuntarily, might be thought to make the IBA loath to tamper with its largest and most profitable station.

Yet Capital's main challenger, Metropolitan Radio, will argue when it meets the members of the IBA in September that its own plans will benefit the network most. Taking the bull by the horns, it has come to terms with the fact that Capital's financial well-being is crucial to the system, and has put forward a number of proposals specifically designed to assist local radio as a whole.

"One of our priorities, in addition to providing a good

ILR STATIONS PROFITABILITY

Station	1982	1983
Capital	1,513	1,771
Piccadilly	445	158
City	442	198
LBC	429	45
BRMB	287	143
Deonair	194	238
2CR	112	273
Hullam	94	93
Clyde	76	38
Downtown	67	186
Thames Valley	58	95
Southern Sound	42	120
Forth	35	34
Chilham	33	43
Season	17	14
Plymouth Sound	12	49
R. West	11	13
Metro	8	8
Parade	8	8
Mercia Sound	5	5
Horward	2	2
Mersey	-1	-
North Sound	-1	-
Ty	-1	-
Orwell	-1	-
Trent	-1	-
Tees	-1	-
Carroll	-1	-
Victory	-1	-
West Sound	-1	-
Aire	-1	-
Centre	-1	-

Metropolitan's proposed advertisement rates are 35 per cent higher than Capital's. The second is that by budgeting for a higher profit than Capital on a lower turnover, incidentally - it will pay more to the IBA in secondary rental.

The increase in the ratecard has been made in the belief that Capital's rates are holding down those of other stations outside London. "We believe radio airtime is being sold too cheaply," says Mr Kennedy. "In all other media, advertisers pay a premium for London".

Mr Kennedy concedes that the volume of advertising might fall as a result of the 35 per cent increase in rates, but he believes it would be only a temporary fall and that the net revenue would in any case remain the same. Nor does he concede that it would make radio less attractive to advertisers.

Capital's managing director, Mr Nigel Walsley, is, however, frankly incredulous at the idea. Until last autumn he was board member for marketing at the Post Office, and he says he heard similar arguments there from rival concerns about rates being too cheap and he does not believe them.

Capital has told the IBA it expects pretax profits of £1.2m on revenue of £19.5m in 1985 and of £1.4m on £22.3m by 1987, assuming inflation of 7 per cent a year. Metropolitan is forecasting, at today's prices, pretax profits of £2m on revenue of £14.8m in 1985 and of £2.9m on £16.7m in 1987.

"Good programming costs money and our programme expenditure figures are much higher than theirs", says Mr Walsley. "Things such as talks and outside broadcasts are very manpower-intensive - they are absolutely fundamental and they cannot be done on a shoestring." On the question of network programming, he points out that Capital has

COALITE GROUP

"Enterprise breeds on confidence in the future. The General Election result has quenched political anxieties for the duration of another parliamentary term and the process of restoring the country's competitive ability on the basis of sound money and productive jobs can continue. It was clear at the outset that the process of reversal and recovery would be painful and slow but we now have the awaited signs of business improvement and it is to be hoped the momentum will be sustained."

During the recession, our resources have been progressively consolidated to provide a sound basis from which our various activities can take full advantage of the gradual recovery now coming into view."

Ted Needham, Chairman
(From Chairman's Statement)

GROUP RESULTS	1983	1982
	£000	£000
Turnover	415,925	406,869
Profit before tax	27,340	23,861
Tax	11,637	8,210
Dividends	4,343	3,896
Earnings per share	18.26p	18.20p

The main activities of the group comprise solid smokeless fuel manufacture, oil and chemicals processing, fuel distribution, vehicle building and distribution, transport, warehousing and shipping services, builders' merchanting, instrument manufacture, and sheep farming in the Falkland Islands.

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The Annual General Meeting took place yesterday, 27th July

The achievement of our objectives in terms of the portfolio, balance sheet and profitability at Law Land has altered significantly the nature of the Group, as well as the opportunities open to it. Certain of these, in particular the potential of the two principal property investments, are of a medium term nature. We are thus naturally also considering various ways of advancing shareholders' interests in the shorter term.

In the current year and in the light of present earnings we expect that the dividend per share will again be increased.

OLIVER MARRIOTT
Chairman

May & Hassell PLC

(Retail Importers and Merchants)

Extracts from the Statement to Shareholders by the Chairman, Mr P. J. Atley
Year ended 31st March 1983

RESULTS. After two very difficult loss making years the Group has returned to profit which at the pre-tax stage is £728,000. Business has been taking place in a healthier climate and the trade has a more realistic approach to the need to see a return on assets employed. Supply and demand are now in balance to the benefit of both shippers and importers. The Group's journey units performed well in the year.

EXPANSION. New depots have been opened in Sheffield and Hull and Strathclyde Sawmills Ltd acquired in Dumfries, Scotland. Over £1.6m has been invested during the year in plant, buildings and vehicles. This investment programme is continuing.

DIVIDEND. An increased final dividend of 2.5p (1.5p last year) brings the year's total to 3.5p per share.

PROSPECTS. Current turnover in value and volume is up on last year and margins are satisfactory.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS	1983	1982
	£000	£000
Turnover	60,642	49,710
Profit before Interest & Tax	3,064	1,941
Interest paid	(2,311)	(2,319)
Associated Company Loss	(65)	(278)
Profit (Loss) before Tax	728	(656)
Tax	17	(48)
Minority Interests	36	76
Extraordinary Items	(83)	(52)
Dividends	698	(678)
	(274)	(204)
Profit (Loss) retained	424	(884)

May & Hassell PLC

Midland Bank

Report on the half-year ended 30 June 1983

"We have been able to maintain the momentum generated last year with a significant increase of £41.3m in the Group pre-tax profit over the first half of 1982. This result is particularly encouraging since it reflects improved performances by virtually all of the Group's operations around the world. The drive to maximise opportunities to increase income, as well as to contain costs, has continued.

The Board's plans are for the further growth and development of the Group and for a continuation of the measures which have produced the upward trend in profits. We are proposing a 1 for 4 rights issue which will raise £154.6m; the proceeds will be used to fund the Group's recent expansion, to support the normal lending requirements of the Group's businesses around the world, and to finance the Group's requirements for further capital investment particularly in communications and data processing technology."

Donald Barron, Chairman

Commentary

The Group pre-tax profit for the six months to 30 June 1983 was £186.4m, an increase of 43% over the similar period last year. There was a profit of £17m on the sale of gilts and the bad debt charge was £118.6m compared with £120.8m for the six months ending 31 December 1982 and £196.1m for the whole of 1982.

The performance of the Midland Clearing Bank was encouraging even though the continuing effects of the economic recession resulted in an increase in the charge for bad debts. Lending margins improved, commission income showed a healthy increase and cost control continued vigorously. The number of staff employed reduced by over 500 compared with December 1982.

Despite continuing difficult economic conditions, there was an increase in the pre-tax profits of Clydesdale Bank Group and Northern Bank Group. Forward Trust Group continued to trade soundly, although its performance did not quite match the high level achieved in the corresponding period last year.

Within Midland Bank International Division lending margins and fee income have held up well despite lower lending volumes with costs well contained, but bad debt provisions increased in comparison with the first half of 1982. A similar pattern was experienced by the majority of the international subsidiary companies but difficulties continued to be experienced by Midland Bank Group International Trade Services. A loss was sustained as a result of the continuing worldwide recession.

The second quarter results of Crocker National Corporation were announced on 19 July 1983. The improving trend and the current signs of an upturn in the Californian economy provide encouragement for the future.

Samuel Montagu enjoyed a satisfactory six months with an increase in pre-tax profits over the same period last year. The Thomas Cook Group produced encouraging results in the first half of 1983 with an improved performance in the travel and travellers cheque operations.

A rights issue of 1 for 4 is proposed at a price of 350p per share. The issue is subject to the approval of Shareholders to an increase in the authorised share capital at an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held on 15 August 1983. The shares to be issued will rank pari passu in all respects with those already in issue including the right to the interim dividend.

An interim dividend of 11p per share (first interim for 1982 8p) will be payable on 7 November 1983 to shareholders whose names are on the register of members on 28 September 1983. This increase is intended to reduce the disparity between the first and second interim dividends. The Board anticipates that, in the absence of unforeseen circumstances, the total dividend per share for 1983, on the enlarged share capital, will be no less than that paid in respect of 1982.

Group Results (Unaudited)	6 months ended 30 June 1983	6 months ended 30 June 1982	Year ended 31 Dec. 1982
	£m	£m	£m
Trading profit of Midland Bank plc and its subsidiaries Note 2	175.5	134.6	329.0
Share of profits of associated companies	13.3	9.9	28.2
Interest on loan capital	188.8	144.5	357.2
Profit before taxation	52.4	49.4	105.8
Taxation:			
Midland Bank plc and subsidiaries	39.4	32.2	72.6
Associated companies	5.6	1.8	6.9
	45.0	34.0	81.5
Minority interests - share of profits	91.4	61.1	169.9
	(14.3)	(9.7)	(24.0)
Extraordinary items	77.1	51.4	145.9
	0.8	(1.7)	(1.3)
Profit attributable to members of Midland Bank plc	77.9	49.7	144.6
Dividend	25.1	13.7	43.6
Retained profit	52.8	36.0	101.0
Earnings per share:			
Basic	44.6p	30.9p	72.4p
Fully diluted	43.7p	29.2p	67.3p

* Before exceptional taxation credit of £23.9m. The earnings per share after the exceptional tax credit were 86.6p (on a fully diluted basis 80.2p.)

Notes

- There have been no changes in the accounting policies set out in the 1982 annual report and accounts. The charge for taxation is based on the expected effective rate for the year.
- Analysis of the trading profit of Midland Bank plc and its subsidiaries:

	6 months ended 30 June 1983	6 months ended 30 June 1982	Year ended 31 Dec. 1982
	£m	£m	£m
Interest income	2,540.8	2,805.2	5,711.0
Interest expense	1,804.1	2,124.7	4,268.0
Net interest income	736.7	680.5	1,443.0
Charge for bad and doubtful debts	118.6	75.3	196.1
Net interest income after charge for bad and doubtful debts	618.1	605.2	1,246.9
Other operating income Note 3	434.7	310.2	759.5
Net operating income	1,052.8	915.4	2,006.4
Operating expenses:			
Staff	530.4	479.1	1,018.7
Premises and equipment	168.7	140.1	299.6
Other	178.2	165.6	381.1
	877.3	784.8	1,699.4
Trading profit of Midland Bank plc and its subsidiaries	175.5	134.6	329.0

- The profit on sale of fixed interest investments amounts to £18.5m (£0.5m loss for the six months to 30 June 1982 and £44.8m profit for the year 1982).
- The net new provisions for bad and doubtful debts charged to profit and loss account were as follows:

	6 months ended 30 June 1983	6 months ended 30 June 1982	Year ended 31 Dec. 1982
	£m	£m	£m
Specific provisions	90.9	60.7	162.0
General provision	27.7	14.8	34.1
	118.6	75.3	196.1

- The net income after taxes of Crocker National Corporation for the first half-year of 1983 was \$31.3m compared with \$22.6m for the same period in 1982. After adjusting for U.K. GAAP and translating into sterling, the pre-tax profit consolidated into the Group figures amounted to £28.5m (1982 £18.1m).
- The Group results for the year ended 31 December 1982 have been derived from the full accounts for that year which have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies and on which the auditors gave an unqualified report.

Midland Bank Group

MARKET REPORT by Michael Clark

US influence keeps prices on boil

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began, July 18. Dealings end, July 29. Contango Day, Aug 1. Settlement Day, Aug 8.

American influences and a firmer performance on Wall Street continued to keep share prices in London on the boil yesterday. Blue chips again led the advance with the FT Index closing at its high for the day, 10.1 up at 719.0.

Among the biggest movers, Glaxo rose 50p to 920p helped by renewed support from across the Atlantic where the group's anti-ulcer drug Zantac, has scooped 7 per cent of the market in its first week of sales. This is good news for the group which is looking to Zantac to boost profits. The drug's performance has been behind the sharp rise in the shares over the past 18 months.

Elsewhere, Allied-Lyons rose 4p to 148p, BTR 4p to 531p, Blue Circle 8p to 443p, GEC 3p to 222p, Hawker Siddeley 4p to 313p, Thorn EMI went up 5p to 609p, Plessey 5p to 672p, Lucas Industries 2p to 150p and GKN 8p to 170p. American support was also good for another 3p on BOC Group at 241p, while Boots added 4p to 330p. Boots is due to meet the Federal Drug Administration in America next month for permission to sell its anti-rheumatic drug, Ibuprofen, over the counter there.

ICI was another firm market, climbing 10p to 540p ahead of second quar-

ter figures later today. The market is looking for around £130m making a total of £260m for the first six months.

Gilts encountered renewed profit-taking after the better than expected trade figures with falls of up to 75p reported in brisk trade. On the foreign exchanges, the pound added 0.4 cents to \$1.5290.

GKN's bid for Associated Engineering drew renewed support for motor components. Tecalemit added 3.5p to 26p, and Smiths Industries 7p to 380p. AE ended the day 19p higher at 55p, way above the GKN terms, on hopes of a counter bid.

Associated British Ports has boosted its chances of having Southampton made into a freeport. The latest cargo figures show a leap of 43 per cent to 2.46m tonnes in non-oil cargoes and are the first indicators of Southampton's performances since Associated British Ports went public this year. Southampton is the biggest port owned by ABP. Big increases in container, grain and a variety of other commodities were also reported.

Broadstone Investment Trust has reported interim pre-tax profits up from £784,000 to £995,000. The board has approved proposals for the unitization of the company in Schroder

American Fund and Schroder General Fund in connection with Schroder Unit Trust Managers. But the proposals are subject to approval by shareholders.

Beecham Group rose 6p to 351p on a statement by Sir Graham Wilkins, the chairman, at the annual meeting which attempted to scotch stock market suggestions that the company is becoming more of a consumer products than a pharmaceuticals group. It was this type of suggestion that nearly turned Beecham's recent £203m rights issue into a disaster. Sir Graham said: "I want to refute this latest misconception because it would be irresponsible to allow doubts about the likely future course of the group to arise."

Sir Graham also surprised observers by announcing the retirement from the board at the end of this year of Mr Frank Doyle who was responsible for taking Beecham into the penicillin field in the late Fifties. Taken together with the departure of Mr William Petley, head of Beecham Pharmaceuticals, it appears to represent the end of an era.

After the hectic activity in the banking sector over the past two days, prices held steady yesterday as dealers kept a wary eye on the movement of American interest rates. Any substantial

move in New York would place heavy pressure on the main London banks to follow suit which would be good for shares.

The increased profit figures from National Westminster unchanged at 647p and the Midland, up 15p to 427p despite the £154m rights issue, kept the rest of the sector steady at higher levels. Lloyds reports Friday and attitudes to its figures have completely turned around. Lloyds has the largest exposure to overseas business, generally thought of as the main problem areas for bad debts. But it has been precisely this area of trading which has helped the clearers balance domestic problems, so a quick re-think is being performed by analysts.

The shares jumped 8p on Tuesday to 557p and held steady at that level yesterday. Barclays should be reporting next week and as the largest British operator looks vulnerable to a large increase in bad and doubtful debt provisions. After Midland and National Westminster easily beat the best of analysts' forecasts few were prepared to risk a guess so close to the figures. Barclays shares were also steady at 489p after climbing 16p on Tuesday.

Grindlays and Bank of Scotland showed the only downward movement of the day, 8p and 3p respectively.

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INGDOM MINIST...

Background to the news: the age of mass share ownership is still a long way off

Stock Exchange takes a timid step into future

First sight, the bones of the present between the Stock Exchange and the Government more concerned to accommodate the changes of the past than those of the next. The Exchange will answer the demands of its biggest existing customers. But it appears he restrictive practices that have developed in electronic dealing, let alone the fact of mass share ownership, will remain intact, or at the very least, in the Exchange's discretion.

There have been two significant revolutions in Stock Exchange business. The first is the decline of the private or and the rise of the public to dominate deal-

led to the Exchange's commissions to produce profits in good years. For instance, the gross revenue of member firms is about £550m. It required the market-jobbers to hold more and led to their taking in partners from outside change.

Second big change was national stock market development of 24-hour wide financial markets in debt and even equity which led to the rise of huge international services groups such as Lynch and Nomura. This trend has been by the abolition of exchange controls.

London's fixed commissions and dealer-broker has kept the average small. British firms have targeted into this world despite London's finance as a financial and moves allowing to own 30 per cent of firms, hitherto as partners.

Process of London banks in abroad market, which is led by banks acting as

THE FIXED COMMISSIONS THAT WILL GO

Stocks and shares	
Price band (£)	Rate %
next 7,000	1.65
next 8,000	0.85
next 115,000	0.5
next 170,000	0.4
next 600,000	0.3
next 1,100,000	0.2
on the excess	0.125

The minimum commission on bargains of £300 or more consideration is £7 for a sold bargain and £10 for a purchase bargain. Bargains with a consideration less than £300 may be charged at discretion.

Long-term gilt-edged stocks	
Price band (£)	Rate %
next 2,500	0.8
next 15,500	0.45
next 982,000	0.25
next 3,000,000	0.125
next 6,000,000	0.1
on the excess	0.05

Debentures	
Price band (£)	Rate %
next 5,000	0.9
next 5,000	0.45
next 40,000	0.35
next 80,000	0.325
next 770,000	0.25
next 1,100,000	0.175
on the excess	0.125

The concessions made by the Stock Exchange Council will surely accelerate trends that have cut the number of stock exchange firms by 20 per cent in five years. But how fast, and how far?

The big institutions are disappointed that the commission structure they hate so much will only be phased out over three years, far longer than it took in New York.

But the effect will be to favour the top 10 brokers and larger specialists, leave room for small private client brokers that have adapted themselves into portfolio managers and to squeeze further medium-sized firms, which still make up a hefty proportion of the remaining 200 or so.

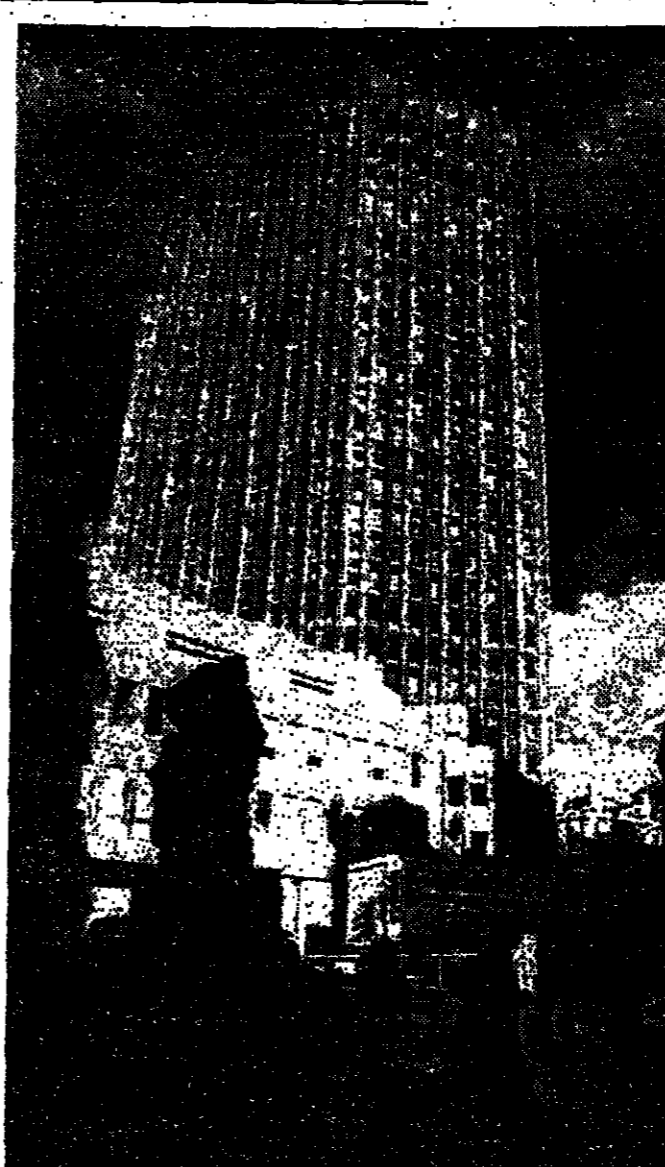
It is harder to assess the impact of the apparently modest moves to convert sleeping outside partners into genuine participants with limited boardroom rights, an offshoot of the planned move to allow brokers limited liability.

remarkably fast. The Stock Exchange can meet competition as the success of its Unlisted Securities Market demonstrates. But there seems little in prospect to dissuade big American brokers from developing their own over-the-counter market in venture capital stocks, where they can exploit the economies of being both broker and market-maker.

Considering previous exercises, notably the Ariel, deal-making computer system, the Exchange's effective monopoly in its chief businesses, government stock and big company shares could remain untroubled.

But bigger opportunities may be lost. It is hard to see such minor concessions greatly encouraging the growth of financial supermarkets for the individual, a gleam in the eye of clearing banks and dynamic thinkers such as Mr Mark Weinberg of Hambro Life.

And without more far-reaching reforms, there seems no prospect of the stock market developing like the worldwide electronic money markets.



Dinosaur of a British institution? The Stock Exchange towers over the City

Is rule book deal a further nail in the OFT coffin?

At the end of the first decade of its existence, the Office of Fair Trading is not in a happy state. The bruising of Sir Gordon Borrie, the director general, by the Stock Exchange affair is only part of the story. Not only have Sir Gordon and his OFT team been faced with some capricious ministerial decisions over mergers but many recommendations affecting consumers have been ignored by the Government.

But there have also been criticisms over OFT delays in dealing with credit licence applications and from local authorities about the OFT's slowness in vetting assurances from transgressing retailers.

Sir Gordon and his team have had a far from impressive record in the three years of the Competition Act in seeking out anti-competitive behaviour among companies. Last year two OFT investigations were launched and three others were completed.

It all adds up to two questions. Does the Government with its non-interventionist stance have little use any more for Sir Gordon and the OFT? Should the thrust of the OFT be reassessed?



Borrie: licking his wounds

Mr Parkin's intervention is being seen as a slapdown for Sir Gordon. It will be interesting to see whether, as an indication of the Government's attitude to the OFT, he is picked up off the floor again.

Sir Gordon in his annual report called for legislative action to ensure that all user-dealers placed on wind-downs a full pre-sales information report, an idea backed by trade organizations, which have been unable to enforce the practice by a voluntary code.

Sir Gordon's report and recommendations on the used car market, produced more than two years ago, have been largely ignored by Government. The same has happened to recommendations on home improvements.

Sir Gordon has, however, put together a score or more voluntary codes of conduct with various suppliers and service industries. But there are points where rightly he has called for back-up from the Government.

If the Government sets a continuing role for Sir Gordon and the OFT, parts of the operation demand reassessment.

But it might be a logical move to give Sir Gordon an additional responsibility, bringing under his wing the proposed watchdog for telecommunications.

Derek Harris

Victory '83 moves up to second after beating France 3

Newport, Rhode Island, (Reuter) - Victory '83 moved into second place in the trials to choose an America's Cup challenger after a convincing win over France 3. Victory '83 won by 2 min 42 sec and replaced Canada 1 in second place in the overall points standings. The Canadian boat dropped into third position as a result of its defeat by Australia's Challenge 12, by 1 min 58 sec.

Still out in front at this stage of the trials, is Australia II, the leading Australian contender, which registered its eighth straight victory in the current series and 29th win against only three losses since the challengers' trials started in June.

Australia II has been winning so comfortably that the crew feel they need harder racing to realize the boat's potential. They did not get that kind of competition against the third Australian boat taking part, and they won by 4 min 23 sec over the 24.3-mile course in Rhode Island Sound.

Australia II led by 1 min and 46 sec at the end of the first four-and-a-half-mile upwind leg and stretched the advantage on each succeeding leg of the course.

John Savage, skipper of Challenge 12, said after his boat's victory over Canada 3 that his crew had "sorted out" problems with a new mast that needed tuning and a new mainmast which had to be recut. He said Challenge 12 had now been going very well for the past few days.

Challenge 12 led the Canadian boat by only 33 seconds after the first 10 miles, but, after beating off a strong challenge by the Canadians, it stretched its lead to well over a minute on the fourth leg and went further ahead in the closing stages of the race.

In the separate trials to decide which boat defends the America's Cup for the United States in September, Dennis Conner's Liberty - the favourite - won two more races against Courageous, by margins of 40 seconds and 2 min 30 sec. Conner has now won his last five races in the trials, but his rivals are not yet ready to concede defeat.

John Kollis, skipper of Courageous, said he did not think any of the three American yachts taking part in the trials had a decisive edge in speed at this stage.

OVERALL STANDINGS: Australia II, 12.88; Challenge 12, 8.44; Canada 1, 7.72; Victory '83, 7.46; Australia III, 7.20; France 3, 6.12; Liberty, 5.98.

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CYCLING

Hinault's career depends on surgery

Paris, (Reuter) - Bernard Hinault, the French cycling champion, forced to pull out of his comeback race on Tuesday, said yesterday that he would need to have immediate surgery on his knee if his career was to continue.

Winner of the Tour de France four times, Hinault, who missed this year's event because of tendon damage to his right knee, broke down after 50 kilometres of a one-day criterium race in Calais, Brittany, yesterday.

He said: "It is no good, I can not continue with my knee like this. I will have to have surgery within the next few days to repair it. If I am like this I will not be able to take part in the world cycling championships. If I do not have the operation I may have to give up racing."



Hinault: a worried man

The injury comes as a bitter blow to Hinault, who, after pulling out before the Tour de France, saw Laurent Fignon, his one-time second string rider, win the race at his first attempt.

FOOTBALL

Hodde agrees to stay at Tottenham Hotspur

Glen Hodde has agreed to stay with Tottenham Hotspur for another year. The Tottenham manager, Keith Burkinshaw, yesterday announced the conclusion of close-season negotiations with his England midfielder player.

Burkinshaw said: "Glen will be here for another year. It is going to be an important season for us and he has been a part of the team for five or six years. It is important to have Glen here to increase the strength of the squad."

Tottenham hope to complete their team plans this week by resigning the Irish international full back Chris Hughton and persuading Steve Perryman to sign for a further two years. They have offered Hughton a four-year contract but he does not want to be tied beyond two years.

Perryman was at the centre of an "illegal approach" row. The situation has upset Keith Burkinshaw, who has so far failed in repeated efforts to retain his experienced all-rounder.

"We have offered him a very good three-year contract or are willing to offer him more on the remaining year of his current contract," Burkinshaw said. "No player could be dissatisfied with the terms, but we are having problems because a few other clubs are offering him money behind the scenes. That's got to be an illegal approach."

Jimmy Rimmer, the 33-year-old Aston Villa goalkeeper, signed for Swansea City yesterday for an undisclosed fee. Rimmer spent three months on loan at Swansea while he was with Manchester United in 1973-74 and then went to Arsenal for £50,000. He later won an England cap and moved to Aston Villa.

Aston Villa are to undertake a television advertising campaign in September when they will promote the club in 10 half-minute advertisements on Central Television.

They will be running two commercials - one featuring Gary Shaw in an attempt to encourage spectators and the other involving the chairman, Doug Ellis, who will be aiming to attract business sponsorship.

The commercial manager, Tony Stephens, said yesterday: "We understand there is a potential audience of nine million and we hope that the stimulus of the advertising will ensure we receive value for money."

Norwich City's first home match of the season, against the league champions Liverpool, has been changed from Monday, August 29 to Wednesday, August 31 (kick-off 7.30). Norwich applied for a change because of counter attractions in the city on Bank Holiday Monday.

TENNIS

Lloyd causes an upset

John Lloyd, of Britain, ranked 324th in the world, caused an upset in the first round of the grand prix tournament in New Jersey yesterday, when he put out Fritz Buehning, the sixth seed, 6-4, 6-3.

Lloyd, who with partner Wendy Turnbull won the Wimbledon mixed doubles title earlier this year, kept the hard-hitting Buehning off balance for most of the match with some sharp passing shots. However, he also needed determination, especially in the second set, when he came back in the second set from 1-3 down by fighting off three break points in the ninth game, then taking five consecutive points to set up the win.

"I was positively delighted with the result," said Lloyd afterwards. "I haven't won a grand prix match since early January and it was pleasing to win against a highly ranked player at a club where I am always so well received."

Lloyd's win was not the only upset of the tournament. Mike Westphal a teenager from West Germany beat Brian Gottfried, the top seed, in straight sets, 6-3, 7-6, while Marcos Hocever, the fourth seed from Brazil, was defeated by Eric Iskersky of the US, 6-4, 6-2. Shlomo Glickstein, seeded two, of Israel also fell knocked out by Tom Cain of the US, 7-6, 5-6, 6-4.



Industrial financing

SUMMARY OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 1983 (amounts in billion Lire)

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Loans including special operations:	20,643	Funding	21,262
Securities received for loans assigned to Cassa Depositi e Prestiti	1,016	Other liabilities	3,907
Securities and liquidity	2,021	Allowances for losses	750
Holdings	540	Bonds convertible	500
Property	247	Paid-up capital	500
Other assets	3,338	Legal reserves	741
	27,805	Net income for the financial year	145
			27,805
Commitments and contra accounts	19,278	Commitments and contra accounts	19,278
	47,083		47,083

Following the resolutions of the Meeting of Participants held on July 13, 1983, with respect to the distribution of the net income for the year, undistributed net income transferred to retained earnings amounts to 119.2 billion Lire. The Balance Sheet has been certified by Arthur Andersen and Co. s.a.s.

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Paid-up capital and legal reserves: 1,359.8 billion lire
Allowances for losses: 749.5 billion lire

KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT Sample Housing Survey of the Kingdom Phase I

Ministry of Public Works and Housing intends to carry out a Housing Sample Survey in the whole of the Kingdom. The sample of dwellings to be included in a field survey will be defined through analysis of all data and aerial photography interpretation.

announcement concerns only the first phase of the Housing Survey during which two tasks will be performed concurrently. The first task consists of the establishment of an inventory of all residential areas in the Kingdom to the 1/25000 scale using computer analysis of Landsat data. The second task consists of the sample survey of housing in the six main cities of the Kingdom. The sample of dwellings to be included in a field survey will be defined through analysis of all data and aerial photography interpretation. The survey will be carried out by the consultant who will also be responsible for data processing, housing, joint ventures or other entities who have had demonstrable experience in successfully completing such work and have the expertise and capacity to undertake either one or both of the tasks outlined above and who wish to bid for either one or both contracts are invited to submit their proposals to the Deputy Ministry of Housing, Ministry of Public Works and Housing before August 13.

Questions for pre-qualification and a more detailed description of the work required can be obtained from the Consulate of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in London or from the Office of the Deputy Ministry of Housing, Ministry of Public Works and Housing in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, from August 01 until August 03 inclusive.

NOTICE

Coca-Cola International Finance N.V. 9 7/8% Guaranteed Notes Due August 1, 1992

Pursuant to the Fiscal and Paying Agency Agreement dated as of February 1, 1983 among Coca-Cola International Finance N.V., a Netherlands Antilles corporation (the "Issuer"), The Coca-Cola Company, a Delaware corporation, as Guarantor, and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, as Fiscal Agent (the "Agreement"), under which the above-referenced Notes (the "Notes") were issued, notice is hereby given that:

- (a) In accordance with the terms of the Agreement, payment of the Final Installment (being 70% of the face price of the Notes) is due and payable no later than 2:00 p.m. London Time on August 1, 1983 in U.S. Dollars in immediately available funds;
- (b) No payment of the Final Installment made after August 1, 1983 due date will be accepted unless accompanied by a further payment representing interest accrued on the amount of such payment at a rate of 14 7/8% per annum from August 1, 1983 to the date on which such payment is received;
- (c) On August 16, 1983, the obligation of the Issuer to accept payments of the Final Installment shall cease; and
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CRICKET: HOME ADVANTAGE SHOULD PROVE ENOUGH FOR ENGLAND

GOLF

Test history against New Zealand

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

Hampshire is back in the runs again

By Alan Gibson

Uplifting day for a young Yorkshireman

By John Hennessey, Golf Correspondent

If the weather at Headingley remains as it was yesterday, we shall be lucky to see more than the occasional over of spin when the second Test match, sponsored by Cornhill, between England and New Zealand starts today. It was cloudy and humid - the very conditions in which the ball moves about more at Headingley than almost anywhere else.

wickets for his 300 in Tests, Hadlee 13 for his 200; Randall is 43 runs short, and Howarth 104 short, of 2,000 Test runs. But, as at the Oval, no attendance records will be broken,ickets have been selling very slowly.

surprisingly, that pride alone should have obliged them to show, in that situation, how well they can bat, not how poorly. It is not an easy balance to strike.

Jonathan Platt, a Yorkshireman aged 21, came back from a hopeless situation in the most dazzling fashion on the third day of the English amateur golf championship at Wentworth yesterday. He recovered from one down with three to play in the morning, to beat Roderick Park by one hole and then overwhelmed a luckless John Aspinall, by 9 and 8 in the afternoon.

Benson and Knott put Kent on top

By Richard Streeton

Barwick catches them out

By Alan Ross

Gooch obliterates sad memories

By Alan Ross

Miss Reid in lead

By John Hennessey, Golf Correspondent

Edgworth: Kent have scored 364 in their first innings against Warwickshire. A diligent 102, free from blemish, by Benson, followed by a cavalier 92 by Knott, rewarded by a cavalier 92 by a prosperous total after they chose to bat first in awkward conditions. The ball moved about freely on an overcast, muggy day and the left-handed Benson showed the faith of those who believe him to be the best of Kent's young batsmen.

Worcester: Glamorgan, with five first innings wickets in hand are 13 runs behind Worcestershire. Steve Barwick, the Glamorgan seam bowler, took eight for 42, the best bowling figures in the championship this season when Worcestershire were dismissed for 127.

Gooch: Essex with nine first innings wickets in hand are 74 runs behind Sussex. After Essex's black days last week things took a turn for the better yesterday. Fletcher put Sussex in and a few minutes after tea they were bowled out on a fine batting wicket, for 217, Lever finishing up with five wickets. Gooch then took 16 off the first over bowled to him again, but in 14.3 overs on a helpful, well-grassed pitch, he recaptured his natural ability to move the ball away from the bat, claiming six victims with catches close to the wicket.

Dale Reid, from Ladybank, took the lead in the 34-hole WPGA tournament, sponsored by United Esports, at Moorfoot, with a round of 69, five under par, at Moorfoot.

Lloyd builds a fortress for Lancashire

By Peter Ball

Worcester given a little assistance by Davis

By Alan Ross

Marshall caught at slip

By Alan Gibson

Martini pulls out of tour

By John Hennessey, Golf Correspondent

With Childs and Graventy at their disposal, Gloucestershire had reason to expect similar success, a feeling which was reinforced when the first three wickets fell meekly to the new ball. But unfortunately for two slow left-armers, their arrival coincided with that of Clive Lloyd, and there was no doubt who won the ensuing battle.

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Two young players who shared the honours

By Peter Marston

Other scoreboards

Hesford signing poses Wednesday a problem

By Alan Gibson

Narrow win by Southfield

By John Watson

NORTHAMPTON: Somerset, with nine first innings wickets in hand, are 43 runs behind Gloucestershire. The belief that nothing ever happens in Southport does not apply to the cricket ground, where extraordinary occurrences are the rule rather than the exception. A year ago, 1,700 batsmen scored in the match against Warwickshire, who somehow contrived to lose after declaring their first innings at 523 for four. Yesterday's event was rather different. The occasional ball was turning sharply before lunch as under a cloudless sky there was to be found that most unusual phenomenon these days, a soft, wet wicket.

Table with multiple columns showing cricket scores for various counties including Gloucestershire, Lancashire, and others.

Sheffield Wednesday yesterday signed Hesford, England under-21 goalkeeper, from Blackpool for £40,000. It was the first acquisition made by Howard Wilkinson, Wednesday's new manager, who will now have to choose between Hesford and last season's regular Bob Bolder, who recently agreed terms.

Southfield started with 2½ goals advantage on the scoreboard. Their seven-goal No. 3, John Walker, increased this to the first minute of the game. Cochrane scored 3½ in the game progressed, went ahead at 5-½ in the fourth chunk.

YACHTING: BAD START BY BRITAIN IN ADMIRAL'S CUP

Yacht top aces

John Nicholas

etherlands' team taking the honours first race of the up series sponsored by Mumm...

and Italy were sent with two early they could overtake their third boat was in handicap...

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Making room at the start of the Admirals Cup

windward mark, was the Swedish boat, Bla Carr. She remained among the leaders until the reaching leg to the final mark...

course, drawing away to finish on her own, 15 minutes ahead of Carrat, another of the Swedish team which shared the same rating...

Fifteens postponed

All races in the national Flying Fifteen championships were abandoned yesterday at the Royal Norfolk and Suffolk Yacht club because of a heavy mist...

Spying charge dropped

Newport, Rhode Island (AP) - A judge yesterday threw out a trespassing charge against a Canadian crew member in the America's Cup races at the request of the Australia II syndicate in an alleged spying incident...

Judge John Cappell immediately dismissed the case without payment of court costs. Johnston was arrested early Saturday after an Australian crew member grabbed him swimming near the Australian yacht, which is supposed to have a secret keel shape kept hidden behind plastic sheets and plywood...

Outside the court, Scott identified Warren Jones, executive director of the Australian II group, as the man who asked for dismissal. 'I think they have worked out an agreement with the Canadian syndicate,' the solicitor said. Neither Jones nor Canadian group officials were available immediately for comment.

RACING: INGLORIOUS AT GOODWOOD

Piggott steers path to suspension

By Michael Seely

Glorious Goodwood certainly dealt a few blows to shattered punters yesterday. No sooner had the swiftness heaped on the face than...

The full saga of the running of the Richmond Stakes made the late night horror movie seem humdrum. Lester Piggott, drawn one of the nine runners, dropped the 1 to 1 favourite, Vaccarne in kind...

'They therefore disqualified Vaccarne and placed him last. They also caused the placings between the second and the third to be reversed. The final result read as follows: 1, Godstone; 2, Craig-an-Sgor; 3, Indigo Jones; 4, Pacific King; Lester Piggott was suspended for five days for careless riding...

The authorities were entirely justified in their action, Vaccarne certainly hampered Pacific King as he passed the post with Godstone. Obviously if those positions had not been reversed Craig-an-Sgor would have been returned as the winner. You need a cool head and strong nerve to understand the Alice in Wonderland and necessary races of racing.



Vaccarne's lead ends in defeat; Godstone, the eventual winner, is in third place

Boyd Henry Cecil and Daniel Wildenstein, the trainer and owner of Vaccarne, were incensed that Piggott had decided to challenge on the far side of the course, after being drawn towards the stands. Their criticism is justified by the 11-time champion jockey's professionalism as polished as possible. 'I'd have been alright if the two in front had kept straight,' he grumbled afterwards. 'There was plenty of room when I chose to go there, but the pair edged over to the right. And I only gave Pacific King one bump and I've only had to stop riding for one stride.'

Both Gavin Pritchard-Gordon, the trainer of Noalcoholic and George Duffield, the jockey on the six-year-old, deserve every credit for their well deserved first Group I victory by either man. Duffield showed superb judgement of pace in his tactics of waiting in front and the win recalled memories of similar victories by Thatch and Arctus. The trainer also deserves every accolade for allowing Noalcoholic to take his chance.

Noalcoholic arrived in England in June, 1982, as a temporary visitor in transit to Australia. 'I think I'll have to try and persuade William Dupont III to leave him here a little longer,' the naturally jubilant trainer said.

Piggott: five-day ban

GOLF: BRITONS FACE PRESSURE IN GERMAN OPEN AND PGA CUP

Leicester's chance to lose gap on Faldo

From Mitchell Platt, Cologne

one playing omission of six players in the Open Championship. Leicester's chance to lose gap on Faldo...

Scotsman on the side of the opposition

By Lewie Main

Of the five Scots in the PGA Cup match which starts at the house of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers today, one is on the side of the Americans. Tom Robertson, aged 32, was born in Glasgow of Scottish parents...

A fair wind blows for Fairhurst at Redcar

Tommy Fairhurst's horses are in fine form this month. The Middleham trainer achieving a 27-1 Redcar double with Vitigeon and Nazim-May yesterday. They brought his tally to six winners in the last nine days...

Goodwood results

Goodwood results: 2.00 SHIPLETON HANDICAP (2-4) £4,680.00. 2.05 SHIPLETON HANDICAP (2-4) £4,680.00. 2.10 SHIPLETON HANDICAP (2-4) £4,680.00.

Redcar results

Redcar results: 2.15 BREAKWATER STAKES (2-4) £2,075.00. 2.20 SHIPLETON HANDICAP (2-4) £4,680.00. 2.25 SHIPLETON HANDICAP (2-4) £4,680.00.

RUGBY UNION: 11 minute win flatters Western Province

Western Province's 11-minute win flatters Western Province. The Argentine team scored by an extraordinary try...

Warm-up world record for Miss Kratochvilova

Warm-up world record for Miss Kratochvilova. The Czechoslovakian broke her own American record for the women's 800 metres...

Graham set for Coventry

Graham set for Coventry. Coventry City have agreed to buy Arthur Graham from Leeds United for £50,000. The 30-year-old Scottish winger cost Leeds £150,000 from Aberdeen six years ago.

ATHLETICS: IN BRIEF

ATHLETICS: IN BRIEF: BADMINTON: The group draw for the third Alba World Cup championships on August 16 has placed England's Steve Baddeley in the same singles group as Leuk Sugiarto, the world champion from Indonesia...

FOR THE RECORD

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(2) That the remainder of England should be divided into 64 Assembly constituencies also listed in the following schedule, named as shown.

Each Assembly constituency should include the parliamentary constituencies listed in column (1). A copy of the provisional recommendations for these Assembly constituencies together with maps illustrating the provisional recommendations can be inspected at the addresses shown in column (3) at most of the main public libraries.

Each Assembly constituency must comprise whole parliamentary constituencies. Its electors shall as near as possible be equal in number to those of the other constituencies having regard, where appropriate, to special geographical considerations. The quota of electors of an Assembly constituency in England is 685,166.

REPRESENTATIONS with regard to these provisional recommendations may be made to the Commission within one month of the date of this notice. An objection to the proposed Assembly constituencies is received from any county, district or borough council or from any body of electors of five hundred or more, the Commission will arrange for a local inquiry to be held into their recommendations.

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